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2. James Bay Treaty No. 9, presented, 290. (*Sessional Papers No. 68.*) Printed.

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2. Bill No. 213), introduced to amend, 218. Second reading and referred to the Legal Committee, 246. *No report.*

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3. Copies of Orders in Council presented, 146. (*Sessional Papers No. 55*.) Not printed. See *Law Reform*.

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KINGSTON SCHOOL OF MINING:

Petition for Act respecting, 28. Reported, 118. Bill (No. 50), introduced and referred, 121. Reported, 204. Fees remitted, 209. Second reading, 212. House goes into Committee on, 219. Third reading, 244. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 162.)

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MIDDLESEX, COUNTY OF:

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MIDLAND, TOWN OF:

Petition for Act respecting, 71. Reported, 119. Bill (No. 55), introduced and referred, 121. Reported, 208. Second reading, 220. House goes into Committee on, 251. Third reading, 287. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 112.)

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MORTMAIN:

Bill (No. 96), introduced respecting, and the disposition of lands for charitable purposes, 35. Second reading, 42. House goes into Committee on, 60, 303. Third reading, 303. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 58.)

MOTOR VEHICLES:

1. Bill (No. 177), introduced to regulate the speed and operation of, 159. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 197. See *below*.

2. Bill (No. 189), introduced, 180. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 206. See *below*.

3. Bill (No. 241), introduced, 280. Second reading, 300. Resolution introduced; Lieutenant-Governor's recommendation signified; passed through Committee and referred to Bill, 306. House goes into Committee on, 318. Third reading, 319. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 81.)

4. Return ordered, shewing number of licenses issued to operate, 105. Presented, 301. (*Sessional Papers No. 69.*) Not printed.

5. Petitions respecting, 29, 34, 56, 64, 72, 81, 96, 103, 141, etc.

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Bill (No. 240), introduced to amend, 280. Second reading, 300. House goes into Committee on, 319. Third reading, 319. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 78.)

MUNICIPAL LAW:

1. Bill (No. 100), introduced to amend, 30. Second reading, 42. House goes into Committee on, 49. Third reading, 224. R.A., 225. (9 Ed. VII. c. 74.) Sir *James Whitney*.

2. Bill (No. 104), introduced to amend, 57. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 111. Reported, 265. Mr. *Fraser*.

3. Bill (No. 106), introduced to amend, 57. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 86. Reported, 265. Mr. *Hoyle*.

4. Bill (No. 107), introduced to amend, 57. Order for second reading discharged, 111. Mr. *Craig*.

5. Bill (No. 115), introduced to amend, 68. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 106. Reported, 265. Mr. *McNaught*.

6. Bill (No. 116), introduced to amend, 68. Second reading and to the Municipal Committee, 106. Reported, 265. Mr. *MacKay* (*Grey*.)

7. Bill (No. 121), introduced to amend, 85. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 111. Reported, 265. Mr. *Preston* (*Durham*.)

8. Bill (No. 122), introduced to amend, 85. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 129. Reported, 265. Mr. *Macdiarmid*.

9. Bill (No. 134), introduced to amend, 105. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 129. Reported, 265. Mr. *Craig*.

10. Bill (No. 144), introduced to amend, 121. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 165. Reported, 265. Mr. *Macdiarmid*.

11. Bill (No. 147), introduced to amend, 122. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 144.

12. Bill (No. 150), introduced to amend, 128. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 166. Reported, 265. Mr. *Macdiarmid*.

13. Bill (No. 151), introduced to amend, 128. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 206. Reported, 265. Mr. *Macdiarmid*.

14. Bill (No. 154), introduced to amend, 128. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 144. Reported, 265. Mr. *MacKay* (*Grey*.)

15. Bill (No. 165), introduced to amend, 143. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 166. Reported, 265. Mr. *Morel*.

16. Bill (No. 166), introduced to amend, 143. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 166. Reported, 265. Mr. *Sulman*.

17. Bill (No. 168), introduced to amend, 143. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 197. Reported, 265. Mr. *McNaught*.

18. Bill (No. 175), introduced to amend, 159. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 212. Reported, 265. Mr. *Fripp*.

19. Bill (No. 180), introduced to amend, 163. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 206. Reported, 265. Mr. *Gallagher*.

20. Bill (No. 181), introduced to amend, 163. Second reading, and referred to the Municipal Committee, 206. Reported, 265. Mr. *Bradburn*.

21. Bill (No. 182), introduced to amend, 163. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 206. Reported, 265. Mr. *Bowyer*.

22. Bill (No. 191), introduced to amend, 181. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 206. Reported, 265. Mr. *Brewster*.

23. Bill (No. 193), introduced to amend, 181. Order for second reading discharged, 206. Mr. *Brewster*.

24. Bill (No. 198), introduced to amend, 194. Second reading , 205. House goes into Committee on, 213. Third reading, 256. See *below*, 26. Mr. *Reaume*. *Assent withheld, 328*.

25. Bill (No. 199), introduced to amend, 195. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee,, 206. Reported, 265. Mr. *Elliott*.

26. Bill (No. 233), "The Municipal Amendment Act, 1909," introduced, 279. Second reading, 300. House goes into Committee on, 307. Third reading, 307. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 73.)

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1. Bill (No. 145), introduced to amend, 122. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 143. Reported amalgamated with Bill No. 146. See *below*.

2. Bill (No. 146), introduced to amend, 122. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 165. Reported, 265. House goes into Committee on 281. Third reading, 292. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 79.)

MUNICIPAL WATER WORKS ACT:

Bill (No. 130), introduced to amend, 99. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 129. *No report*.

NEEBING, MUNICIPALITY OF:

Petition for Act respecting, 27. Reported, 65. Bill (No. 19), introduced and referred, 67. Reported, 99. Second reading, 106. House goes into Committee on, 150. Third reading, 224. R.A., 225. (9 Ed. VII. c. 113.)

NIAGARA PENINSULAR RAILWAY COMPANY:

Petition for Act respecting, 95. Reported, 134. Bill (No. 126), introduced and referred, 137. Reported, 209. Second reading, 220. House goes into Committee on, 229. Third reading, 266. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 137.)

NORTH TORONTO, TOWN OF:

Petition for Act respecting, 28. Reported, 118. Bill (No. 23), introduced and referred, 120. Reported 265. Second reading, 273. House goes into Committee on, 292. Third reading, 322. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 114.)

NOTARIES PUBLIC:

Bill (No. 92), introduced respecting, 18. Second reading, 23. House goes into Committee on, 43. Third reading, 257. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 63.)

OFFICIAL NOTICES:

Bill (No. 168), introduced respecting publication of, 48. Second reading, 59. House goes into Committee on, 69. Third reading, 271. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 7.)

ONTARIO COMPANIES ACT:

1. Bill (No. 212), introduced to amend, 218. Order for second reading discharged, 261.

2. Bill (No. 225) introduced to amend, 249. Second reading, 260. House goes into Committee on, 275. Third reading, 280. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 66.)

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ONTARIO INTER-URBAN RAILWAY COMPANY:

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ONTARIO MUNICIPAL SECURITIES ACT:

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ONTARIO RAILWAY ACT:

1. Bill (No. 184), introduced to amend, 174. Second reading and referred to the Legal Committee, 197. *No report.*

2. Bill (No. 227), introduced to amend, 256. Second reading, 281. House goes into Committee on, 297, 313. Third reading, 313. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 68.)

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2. Report presented, 247. (*Sessional Papers No. 9.*) Printed.

ONTARIO VETERINARY ASSOCIATION:

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ONTARIO VETERINARY COLLEGE:

1. Bill (No. 139), introduced respecting, 110. Second reading, 144. House goes into Committee on, 160. Third reading, 224. R.A., 225. (9 Ed. VII. c. 96.)

2. Report presented, 263. (*Sessional Papers No. 33.*) Printed.

ONTARIO WEST SHORE ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY:

Petition for Act respecting, 63. Reported, 179. Bill (No. 25), introduced and referred, 180. Reported, 217. Second reading, 228. House goes into Committee on, 257. Third reading, 257. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 139.)

OTTAWA, CITY OF:

1. Petition for Act respecting, 108. Reported, 135. Bill (No. 141), introduced and referred to Railway and Municipal Board, 157. Reported and referred to Committee on Private Bills, 169. Reported, 208. Second reading, 220. House goes into Committee on, 245. Third reading, 250. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 115.)

2. Petition for Act respecting, 108. Reported, 135. Bill (No. 158), introduced respecting, 158. Reported, 256. Second reading, 267. House goes into Committee on, 272. Third reading, 292. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 116.)

3. Petition for Act respecting the establishment of a Sanatarium for Tubercular patients, 108. Reported, 135. Bill (No. 159), introduced and referred, 158. Reported, 218. Second reading, 228. House goes into Committee on, 245. Third reading, 250. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII, c. 117.)

OTTAWA CIVIL SERVICE CO-OPERATIVE SAVINGS AND LOAN SOCIETY:

Petition for Act of incorporation, 47. Reported, 119. Bill (No. 43), introduced and referred, 120. Reported, 279. Second reading, 292. House goes into Committee on, 303. Third reading, 308. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 150.)

OTTAWA AND ST. LAWRENCE ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY:

Petition for Act to incorporate the Eastern Ontario Counties Electric Belt Line Railway Company, 33. Reported, 66. Bill (No. 40), introduced and referred, 74. Reported, Title amended, 135. Second reading, 144. House goes into Committee on, 182. Third reading, 229. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 140.)

OWEN SOUND Y.M.C.A.:

Petition for Act respecting, 71. Reported, 156. Bill (No. 57), introduced and referred, 158. Reported; fees remitted, 208. Second reading, 220. House goes into Committee on, 229. Third reading, 257. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 158.)

PEACE, COURTS OF GENERAL SESSIONS OF:

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PEOPLE'S RAILWAY COMPANY:

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PETERBOROUGH RADIAL RAILWAY COMPANY:

Petition for Act respecting, 48. Reported, 118. Bill (No. 17), introduced and referred, 120. Reported, 209. Second reading, 220. House goes into Committee on, 229. Third reading, 257. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 142.)

PHARMACY ACT:

1. Bill (No. 102), introduced to amend, 41. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 91. Reported, 249. House goes into Committee on, 267. Third reading, 267. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 64.)

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Petition for Act respecting, 108. Reported, 134. Bill (No. 132), introduced and referred, 174. Reported, 243. Second reading, 252. House goes into Committee on, 262. Third reading, 262. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 118.)

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Committee appointed, 24, 39. *No report.*

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1. Bill (No. 176), introduced to amend, 159. Order for second reading discharged, 212.
2. Bill (No. 188), introduced to amend, 80. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 206. Reported, 249. House goes into Committee on, 268. Third reading, 268. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 84.)
3. Bill (No. 207), introduced to amend, 204. Second reading and referred to the Municipal Committee, 260. Reported, 309. House goes into Committee on, 309. Third reading, 309. R.A., 327. (9 Ed. VII. c. 85.)

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PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Tuesday, 16th February, 1909.

PROCLAMATION.

Canada, Province of Ontario. } JOHN MORISON GIBSON.

EDWARD VIITH, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful, the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Ontario and to every of you—GREETING.

JAMES JOSEPH FOY, Attorney General. } WHEREAS it is expedient for certain causes and considerations to convene the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, WE DO WILL that you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, on TUESDAY, the SIXTEENTH day of the month of FEBRUARY now next, at OUR CITY OF TORONTO, personally be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, act, do and conclude upon those things which, in Our Legislature of the Province of Ontario by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favour of God be ordained. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our Province of Ontario to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, His Honour JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., L.L.D., &c., &c., &c., LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR of Our Province of

Ontario, at Our Government House, in the City of Toronto, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-SEVENTH day of JANUARY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nine, and in the Eighth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

This being the First day of the First Meeting of the Twelfth Legislature of the Province of Ontario for the Despatch of Business, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour, JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., L.L.D., Lieutenant-Governor—Arthur Henry Sydere, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, laid upon the Table of the House a Roll, hereinafter fully set out, containing a list of the names of the Members who had been returned at the General Elections to serve in this Legislature; and having been appointed, *per dedimus potestatem,* a Commissioner for administering the Oaths to the Members, did administer the Oaths to the Members present; who, after having subscribed the Roll, took their seats in the House.

TWELFTH GENERAL ELECTION.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY, ONTARIO.

Toronto, February 16th, 1909

This is to certify that by reason of the Dissolution of the last Legislature on the Second day of May, A.D., 1908, and in virtue of Writs of Election, dated on the Eleventh day of May, A.D. 1908, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to the hereinafter named persons as Returning Officers for all the Electoral Districts in the Province of Ontario, for the election of Members to represent the several Electoral Districts in the Legislature of the Province, in the Parliament convened to meet on the Sixteenth day of February, A.D. 1909, the following named persons have been gazetted as duly elected to represent the Electoral Districts set opposite their respective names, as appears by the Returns to the said Writs, deposited of Record in my office, namely :—

Constituency.	*Members Elected.*	*Returning Officers.*
Electoral District of :—		
Addington	William James Paul	Alfred Maxwell Bell.
*Algoma	William Ross Smyth	Nolton Harvey Peterson.
Brant, North	John Henry Fisher	Richard G. Lawrason
Brant, South	Willoughby Staples Brewster	Thomas Simpson Wade.

*Since resigned, *Vide* page 10.

Constituency.	*Members Elected.*	*Returning Officers.*
Brockville	Albert Edward Donovan	William Richardson.
Bruce, Centre	Hugh Clark	William Robertson McDonald
Bruce, North	Charles Martin Bowman	Alexander E. Belcher.
Bruce, South	Reuben Eldridge Truax	John S. Tolton.
Carleton	Robert Herbert McElroy	Alonzo Griffith Dawson.
Dufferin	Charles Robert McKeown	George John McManus.
Dundas	Hon. Sir James Pliny Whitney	Samuel Larue.
Durham, East	Josiah Johnston Preston	Hugh Walker.
Durham, West	John Henry Devitt	Thomas H. Spry.
Elgin, East	Charles Andrew Brower	James Henry Yarwood.
Elgin, West	Finlay George Macdiarmid	Robert McCully.
Essex, North	Hon. Joseph Octave Reaume	Gordon Joseph Leggatt.
Essex, South	Charles N. Anderson	James Workman King.
Fort William	Thomas Stewart Traille Smellie	William Laughton Morton.
Frontenac	John S. Gallagher	Christopher Langwith, Jr.
Glengarry	Donald Robert McDonald	A. D. McRae.
Grenville	George Howard Ferguson	William Albert Quinn.
Grey, Centre	Isaac Benson Lucas	Thomas Scott.
Grey, North	Hon. Alexander Grant MacKay	David Rutherford.
Grey, South	David Jamieson	Charles Lynn Grant.
Haldimand	Jacob Kohler	Philip Ross Howard.
Halton	Alfred Westland Nixon	David Hutcheon.
Hamilton, East	Allan Studholme	Robert Curliss Pettigrew.
Hamilton, West	Hon. John Strathearn Hendrie	Alexander Huggins Moore.
Hastings, East	Amos Augustus Richardson	Sandy Grant.
Hastings, North	Josiah Williams Pearce	William Halstead Nugent.
Hastings, West	John Wesley Johnson	George Crowe.
Huron, Centre	William Proudfoot	Thomas Daisley Johnson.
Huron, North	Armstrong H. Musgrove	William McQuillan.
Huron, South	Henry Eilber	William Consit.
Kenora	Harold Arthur Clement Machin	Leith Myles.
Kent, East	Philip Henry Bowyer	George Hunter.
Kent, West	George William Sulman	J. R. Gemmill.
Kingston	William Folger Nickle	J. B. Walkem.
Lambton, East	Robert John McCormack	Eusebius McGillicuddy.
Lambton, West	Hon. William John Hanna	James Flintoft.
Lanark, North	Richard Franklin Preston	James Knox.
Lanark, South	Hon. Arthur James Matheson	William Andrew Moore.
Leeds	John Robertson Dargavel	Edwin G. Adams.
Lennox	Thomas George Carscallen	David Hiram Preston.
Lincoln	Elisha Jessop	George Gordon.
London	Hon. Adam Beck	Edward Herbert Johnston.
Manitoulin	Robert Roswell Gamey	John Russell McGregor.
Middlesex, East	George W. Neely	Richard L. Guest.
Middlesex, North	Duncan Campbell Ross	John D. McPhee.
Middlesex, West	John Campbell Elliott	Stephen Blackburn.
Monck	James Alway Ross	Thomas Jefferson Galbraith.
Muskoka	Arthur Arnold Mahaffy	William Mayhew.
Nipissing	Henry Morel	Charles Lamarche.
Norfolk, North	Hugh Paterson Innes	Aquila Crysler.
Norfolk, South	Arthur Clarence Pratt	Samuel H. Harding.
Northumberland, East	Samuel Greerson Murray Nesbitt	Henry Joseph Walker.

Constituency.	*Members Elected.*	*Returning Officers.*
Northumberland, West	Samuel Clarke	Andrew John Hewson.
Ontario, North	William Henry Hoyle	James Vrooman.
Ontario, South	Charles Calder	William Morcomb Real.
Ottawa, East	Donald Joseph McDougal	E. Laverdure.
Ottawa, West	Ernest Alfred Fripp	Horace Pratt.
Oxford, North	Andrew MacKay	Elijah John Cody.
Oxford South	Thomas Richard Mayberry	Joseph Arthur Williams
Parry Sound	John Galna	Alexander Logan.
Peel	Samuel Charters	Thomas H. Goodison.
Perth, North	James Torrance	Thomas Magwood.
Perth, South	Valentine Stock	H. Fred. Sharpe.
Peterborough, East	James Thompson	Samuel Payne Ford.
Peterborough, West	Thomas Evans Bradburn	James A. Hall.
Port Arthur	John James Carrick	George Herbert Rapsey.
Prescott	George Hector Pharand	Eden Abbott Johnson.
Prince Edward	Robert Addison Norman	Richard Allen Williamson.
Rainy River	William Alfred Preston	Walter John Keating.
Renfrew, North	Norman Reid	Samuel Sutton, Jr.
Renfrew, South	Thomas William McGarry	Samuel J. Dempsey.
Russell	Damase Racine	James L. Rolston.
Sault Ste. Marie	William Howard Hearst	Andrew Elliott.
Simcoe, Centre	Alfred Burke Thompson	James Arnold.
Simcoe, East	James Brockett Tudhope	John Hugh Hammond.
Simcoe, South	Alexander Ferguson	William McDermott.
†Simcoe, West	Hon. James Stoddart Duff	John MacKay.
Stormont	William John McCart	Finlay Duncan McNaughton.
Sturgeon Falls	Adulphe Azaire Aubin	Jesse Bradford.
Sudbury	Hon. Frank Cochrane	Stephen Fournier.
Temiskaming	Robert Taylor Shillington	Harry Hartman.
Toronto, East, Seat "A"	Hon. Robert Allan Pyne	Robert L. Defries.
Toronto, East, Seat "B"	Thomas Richard Whitesides	
Toronto, North, Seat "A"	William Kirkpatrick McNaught	Frank Arnoldi.
Toronto, North, Seat "B"	John Shaw	
Toronto, South, Seat "A"	Hon. James Joseph Foy	James Brandon.
Toronto, South, Seat "B"	George Horace Gooderham	
Toronto, West, Seat "A"	Hon. Thomas Crawford	Thomas Hurst.
Toronto, West, Seat "B"	William David McPherson	
Victoria, East	John Hilliard Carnegie	William J. Read.
Victoria, West	Samuel John Fox	Herbert John Lytle.
Waterloo, North	Henry George Lackner	Peter Frey Stumpf.

†Accepted office of Minister of Agriculture and re-elected by acclamation on 23rd October, 1908.

Constituency.	*Members Elected.*	*Returning Officers.*
Waterloo, South.	George Pattinson	John Nelson Sipes.
Welland	Evan Eugene Fraser	Neville Bentley Colcock.
Wellington, East	James J. Craig	William A. Richardson.
Wellington, South	Joseph Patrick Downey	William Wallace White.
Wellington, West	James McEwing	Edward Gainor, Sr.
Wentworth, North	Gordon Crooks Wilson	Edwin Alfred Woodhouse.
Wentworth, South	Daniel Reed	Robert H. Lewis.
York, East	Alexander McCowan	David Brown.
York, North	Thomas Herbert Lennox	James Donald McKay.
York, West	Forbes Godfrey	Russell Warner.

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3 O'CLOCK P.M.

And the House having met,

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne.

Mr. Hanna, the Provincial Secretary, then said,

I am commanded by His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, to state that he does not see fit to declare the causes of the summoning of the present Legislature of this Province until a Speaker of this House shall have been chosen according to law ; but To-day, at a subsequent hour, His Honour will declare the causes of the calling of this Legislature.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

The Prime Minister, Sir James P. Whitney, addressing himself to the Clerk, proposed to the House for their Speaker, the Honourable Thomas Crawford, Member for the West Riding of the City of Toronto, "Seat A.", which motion was seconded by Mr. Attorney-General Foy and it was

Resolved, That the Honourable Thomas Crawford do take the Chair of this House as Speaker.

The Clerk having declared the Honourable Thomas Crawford duly elected, he was conducted by the Prime Minister and Mr. Foy to the Chair, where standing on the upper step, he returned his humble acknowledgments to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by choosing him to be their Speaker.

And thereupon he sat down in the Chair, and the Mace was laid upon the Table.

3.30 O'CLOCK P.M.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor then re-entered the House and took his seat on the Throne.

Mr. Speaker elect then addressed His Honour to the following effect :—

May it Please Your Honour :—

The Legislative Assembly have elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me and not to the Assembly whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their King and country, hereby claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their Debates, access to your person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from you the most favourable consideration.

The Provincial Secretary then said :—

Mr. Speaker,

I am commanded by His Honour, the Lieutenant-Governor, to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the Assembly to His Majesty's person and Government, and not doubting that the proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper and prudence, he grants, and upon all occasions will recognize and allow, the constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour upon all suitable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to open the Session with the following gracious Speech :—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

I am pleased, indeed, to meet the representatives of the people of Ontario in the Legislative Assembly of this Province. My recollection of the many years when I sat in the Legislature, during sixteen of which I was a member of the Government, is of a distinctly pleasant character, especially when I recall the goodwill and friendly relations which always existed between my fellow-members and myself.

Our thanks are due to Almighty God for the good harvest of the past year, and for the general prosperity of the people.

The celebration of the Tercentenary of the founding of Quebec by Champlain in connection with the steps taken for the nationalization of the celebrated battle fields of Quebec, which took place in the month of July last, was a success in every respect. The presence of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales by the desire of His Majesty the King and the admirable addresses delivered by the former, contributed largely to the enthusiasm and satisfaction which were the prevailing features of the great occasion. The Vice-President of the United States received a hearty welcome, while the very energetic efforts and arduous labours of His Excellency the Governor-General were acknowledged and appreciated on all sides. In connection with this subject, I desire to acknowledge the warm hospitality shewn to the First Minister of this Province by the Government of the Province of Quebec.

The Canadian Improvement Company having made sale of its interests in the Lake Superior Corporation to English capitalists, has been enabled to pay off the remaining one million dollars of its certificates guaranteed by the Government of Ontario, and these have been cancelled, and the Province has now been relieved of all further liability under the Act respecting aid to the Algoma Central and Hudson's Bay Railway and Associated Industries, at Sault Ste. Marie. A probable result of this sale will be the introduction of a large amount of additional capital into the Province to extend these Industries and to complete the building of the Algoma Central and Manitoulin and North Shore Railways.

It will afford you gratification to know, that the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway has been completed to the Town of Cochrane, the point of junction with the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, a distance of 252 miles from North Bay; and also, that the earnings of the Railway have continued to be satisfactory and largely in excess of the outlay incurred for operating expenses.

Considerable progress has been made in the development of the mining industry at and near Cobalt, and new discoveries of a valuable nature have been made in other localities in a more northerly and north-westerly direction.

My First Minister and the then Minister of Agriculture visited Great Britain during the past summer, and investigated carefully the situation and conditions of emigration from the British Isles to Ontario. Guided by information gained in this way, my Ministers have been enabled to deal effectively with this very important question.

Among the other interesting features of the past year's record are the taking over of the Ontario Veterinary College by the Department of Agriculture, the development of the work of dairy instruction and of the Farmers' Institutes, the increasing of the usefulness of the Agricultural College, and the appointment of

local representatives in various Counties throughout the Province for special work in the promotion of agricultural interests. This last-mentioned departure has met with great success, and, it is hoped, may be extended in the future.

A contract has been entered into providing for the construction of an Electric Power Transmission Line two hundred and fifty-two miles in length, all or the greater part of which will, it is expected, be completed by the end of the year. Within the last two months upwards of thirty-five municipalities have voted in favour of procuring power from the Hydro-Electric Commmission—thus evidencing the interest taken in the subject by the people.

The important work of the Revision of the Statutes has made good progress during the year, and a large number of the revised Acts will be laid before you for your approval. Bills will also be submitted to you comprising amendments to several important Statutes, and you will be asked to consider a measure for the better administration of justice, lessening the number of appeals, reducing the cost of litigation and for other purposes.

My Ministers have arrived at the conclusion that it is advisable to change the date of the close of the financial year to the 31st day of October, thus enabling the Legislature to meet early in January in each year, and proceed with the despatch of business.

You will be glad to know that the revenues of the Province are considerably in excess of the estimates and more than sufficient to meet the public expenditure during the year. The Public Accounts will be laid before you for your consideration at the earliest moment, and the estimates for the coming year will also be submitted to you for your approval at an early date.

The various subjects which will come before you will I feel assured, receive your careful consideration, and I trust that your deliberations may be for the best interests and welfare of this great Province.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

PRAYERS. 4 O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, That in conformity with the provisions of the "Legislative Assembly Act, 1908," chapter 5, section 32, the Clerk of the House, as Clerk of the Crown in Chancery *ex-officio*, had received notifications of vacancies and had made out new Writs for the election of Members to serve in the present Legislature for the following Electoral Districts:—

The Electoral District of West Simcoe and

The Electoral District of Algoma.

To Arthur Henry Sydere, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario and Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

We, the undersigned, James Pliny Whitney, Member elect for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Dundas, and Robert Allan Pyne, Member elect for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of East Toronto, do hereby notify you that a vacancy has occurred in the representation in said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of the County of West Simcoe, by reason of the acceptance of an office under the Crown, *to wit*, the office of Minister of Agriculture of the Province, by James Stoddart Duff, Member elect for the said Electoral Division of the County of West Simcoe.

And we, the said James Pliny Whitney and Robert Allan Pyne, Members elect of the Assembly aforesaid, hereby require you to issue a new Writ for the election of a Member to fill the said vacancy.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals, this Sixth day of October, A. D., 1908.

Signed and sealed in the presence of	J. P. WHITNEY.	[L. S.]
ARTHUR H. SYDERE.	R. A. PYNE.	[L. S.]

To Honourable Thomas Crawford and to William David McPherson, both Members elect of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

I hereby declare that I resign my seat as a Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario for the Electoral District of Algoma, pursuant to the "Legislative Assembly Act."

As witness my hand this 17th day of October, A. D., 1908.

Witnesses.	
J. G. KINGSBORO.	W. R. SMYTH
W. S. BRADLEY.	

To Arthur Henry Sydere, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

We, the undersigned, Thomas Crawford, Member elect for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of West Toronto, Seat "A," and William David McPherson, Member elect for the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of West Toronto, Seat "B," do hereby notify you that a vacancy has occurred in the representation in said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral Division of Algoma, by reason of the resignation of William Ross Smyth, Esquire, Member elect for the said Electoral Division of Algoma. And

we, the said Thomas Crawford and William David McPherson, Members elect of the Assembly aforesaid, hereby require you to issue a new Writ for the election of a Member to fill the said vacancy.

In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this Thirty-first day of October, A. D., 1908.

Signed and sealed in presence of BETH MCDONALD, RUBY T. MCGILL.	THOMAS CRAWFORD.	[L.S.]
	WM. DAVID MCPHERSON.	[L.S.]

Mr. Speaker also informed the House, that the Clerk had laid upon the Table the following Certificates of the Election of Members :—

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in Virtue of a Writ of Election dated the sixth day of October, 1908, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to John Mackay, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of the County of West Simcoe, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of the County of West Simcoe in the Legislative Assembly of this province, in the room of James Stoddart Duff, Esquire, who, since his election as representative of the said County of West Simcoe, has accepted an office of profit under the Crown, *to wit* :—The Office of Minister of Agriculture of the Province of Ontario, by reason whereof the seat of the said James Stoddart Duff has become vacant, the Honourable James Stoddart Duff has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the 23rd day of October, 1908, which is now lodged of record in my office.

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,
Clerk, Legislative Assembly,
Ex-officio Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Toronto, October 28th, 1908.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the first day of December, 1908, issued by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to Nolton Harvey Peterson, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Algoma, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of Algoma in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of William Ross Smyth, Esquire, who had resigned, Albert Grigg, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected, as appears by the return to the said Writ of Election, dated the Seventeenth of December, 1908, which is now lodged of record in my office.

ARTHUR H. SYDERE,
Clerk, Legislative Assembly,
Ex-officio Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Toronto, December 31st, 1908.

Mr. Speaker reported, That, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech, which he read.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy, a Bill was introduced intituled "An Act respecting the Administration of Oaths of Office to persons appointed as Justices of the Peace," and the same was read the first time.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, to this House, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy,

Resolved, That the Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session be appointed for the following purposes:—1. On Privileges and Elections; 2. On Railways; 3. On Miscellaneous Private Bills; 4. On Standing Orders; 5. On Public Accounts; 6. On Printing; 7. On Municipal Law; 8. On Legal Bills; 9. On Agriculture and Colonization; 10. On Fish and Game; which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that the Clerk had laid upon the Table:—

A Return from the Records of the General and Subsequent Elections to the Legislative Assembly on the 8th day of June, 1908, shewing:—

(1) The number of Votes Polled for each Candidate in each Electoral District in which there was a contest; (2) The majority whereby each successful Candidate was returned; (3) The total number of Votes Polled; (4) The number of Votes remaining unpolled; (5) The number of names on the Polling Lists; (6) The number of Ballot Papers sent out to each Polling Place; (7) The Used Ballot Papers; (8) The Unused Ballot Papers; (9) The Rejected Ballot Papers; (10) The Cancelled Ballot Papers; (11) The Declined Ballot Papers; (12) The Ballot Papers taken from Polling Places; (13) A General Summary of Votes cast in each Electoral District; (14) A similar statement as to any Elections held since the General Election. *(Sessional Papers No. 46.)*

The House then adjourned at 4.15 p.m.

Wednesday, 17th February, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House:—

Report of the Librarian on the state of the Library. (*Sessional Papers No. 47.*)

Albert Grigg, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Algoma, having taken the Oaths and signed the Roll, took his seat.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, Three Petitions from the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Bothwell; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Richmond; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Simcoe.

By Mr. Hendrie, the Petition of the City Council of Hamilton.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Township Council of North Elmsley.

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Township Council of Enniskillen; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Sarnia.

By Mr Reaume, the Petition of the County Council of Essex; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Sandwich, East; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Rochester; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Maidstone.

By Mr. Duff, the Petition of the County Council of Simcoe; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Tossorontio; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Essa.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Township Council of Sydenham; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Keppel; also, two Petitions of the County Council of Grey.

By Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Collier Street Methodist Church, Barrie; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Collingwood; also, the Petition of the Farrar Transportation Company, Limited.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of the Village Council of West Lorne; also, the Petition of the City Council of St. Thomas.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of Lennox and Addington.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Municipality of Dysart, and others.

By Mr. Neely, the Petition of the County Council of Middlesex.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of the National Trust Company, Limited.

By Mr. Ross (Monck), the Petition of William Alfred Bugg, and others, of Welland Port.

By Mr. Godfrey, the Petition of the National Trust Company, Limited; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Etobicoke.

By Mr. Fripp, the Petition of the Rideau Club, Ottawa.

By Mr. Aubin, the Petition of the Township Council of Springer; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Sturgeon Falls.

By Mr. Kohler, Two Petitions of the County Council of Haldimand.

By Mr. Nesbitt, the Petition of Frank William Coolbaugh, and others, of Philadelphia, U. S. A.; also, the Petition of Edward C. Rendell, of Mobile, U. S. A.

By Mr. Reed (Wentworth), the Petition of the Rector and Church Wardens of St. John's Church, Ancaster.

By Mr. Carrick, the Petition of James George Guise Bagley, of Port Arthur.

By Mr. Wilson, the Petition of the Town Council of Dundas.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Township Council of Sidney; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Trenton.

By Mr. Anderson, the Petition of the Town Council of Sandwich.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Ontario Inter-Urban Railway Company

By Mr. Grigg, the Petition of the Town Council of Bruce Mines and Albert Downing, M. D., of Bruce Mines.

By Mr. Smellie, the Petition of the Municipality of Neebing; also, the Petition of the City Council of Fort William; also, the Petition of the Township Council of O'Connor.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Town Council of North Toronto.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of William J. Crossen, and others, of Cobourg; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Millbrook.

By Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), the Petition of Charles M. Willard, and others, of Winchester; also, the Petition of the Canadian Casualty and Boiler Insurance Company.

By Mr Fox, Two Petitions of the Town Council of Lindsay.

By Mr. Nickle, Two Petitions of the City Council of Kingston; also, the Petition of the School of Mining and Agriculture; also, the Petition of the Kingston Council, R. T. of T.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of the Merchants Fire Insurance Company.

By Mr. Musgrove, the Petition of the Village Council of Wroxeter.

By Mr. Nixon, the Petition of the Milton Council, R. T. of T., No. 61.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of George E. Sparham, and others, of Morpeth; also, the Petition of Franklin Brown, and others, of Ridgetown; also the Petition of the Town Council of Dresden.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the Township Council of Yarmouth; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Bayham; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Port Stanley; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Malahide.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Town Council of North Toronto; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Markham.

By Mr. Paul, the Petition of the Township Council of the United Townships of Kaladar, Anglesea and Effingham; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Oro; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Hinchinbrook.

By Mr. Fisher, the Petition of the Township Council of South Dumfries; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Paris; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Onondaga.

By Mr. Pratt, the Petition of the Township Council of Houghton; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Port Dover; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Middleton.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Township Council of Portland; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Storrington; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Garden Island; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Pittsburg.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of the Township Council of Ops.

By Mr. Godfrey, the Petition of the Village Council of Woodbridge.

By Mr. McGarry, the Petition of the Township Council of McNab; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Raglan.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Town Council of Durham.

By Mr. Bradburn, the Petition of the Peterborough W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of the City Council of Peterborough.

By Mr. Preston (Lanark), the Petition of the Township Council of Lavant; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Lanark.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the County Council of Simcoe.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Township Council of Emily.

Mr. Hearst moved, seconded by Mr. Johnston,

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, as follows :—

To His Honour John Morison Gibson, K.C., L.L.B., &c., &c., &c., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech Your Honour has addressed to us.

And a Debate having ensued, it was, on motion of Mr. McEwing,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

Sir James Whitney delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

J. M. GIBSON.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province, until the Estimates for the year 1909 are finally passed, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Toronto, February 17th, 1909.

(*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That this House will, To-day, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, To-day, resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, then resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($750,000) be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Civil Government and for other purposes (as mentioned in the statement accompanying the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor to this House), and from the 1st day of January, 1909, to the passing of the Appropriation Act for the year 1909. Such expenditures to be confined to the ordinary necessary payments for the different services to which they respectively relate, and a detailed statement of such expenditure to be laid before the House before the second reading of the Appropriation Act of 1909, and the details of the said several services to be included in the detailed Estimates to be brought down to this House, as though this Resolution had not been passed.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; also, that the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

Mr. Hoyle, from the Committee of Supply, reported a Resolution, which was read as follows:—

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($750,000), be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Civil Government and for other purposes (as mentioned in the statement accompanying the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor to this House) from the 1st day of January, 1909, to the passing of the Appropriation Act for the year 1909. Such expenditures to be confined to the ordinary necessary payments for the different services to which they respectively relate, and a detailed statement of such expenditures to be laid before the House, before the second reading of the Appropriation Act of 1909, and the details of the said several services to be included in the detailed Estimates, to be brought down to this House, as though this Resolution had not been passed.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, then resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee*).

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($750,000), to meet the supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; also, that the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

Mr. Hoyle from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a Resolution which was read as follows:—

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($750,000), to meet the supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 60), intituled "An Act respecting Arbitration and References." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 61), intituled "An Act to amend the Judicature Act." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 62), intituled "An Act respecting Public Officers." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 63), intituled "An Act respecting Witnesses and Evidences." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 64), intituled "An Act respecting Jurors and Juries." Mr Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 66), intituled "An Act to provide prompt punishment for Personation at Elections for the Legislative Assembly." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 76), intituled "An Act respecting County and District Judges and Local Courts." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 77), intituled "An Act respecting County Court Judges Criminal Courts." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 78), intituled "An Act respecting the Courts of General Sessions of the Peace." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 79), intituled "An Act respecting Escheats and Forfeitures." Mr. Foy.

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Bill (No. 82), intituled "An Act enabling Boards of Trade in Cities to appoint General Arbitrators for certain purposes." Mr. Foy.

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Bill (No. 83), intituled "An Act for expediting the decision of Constitutional and other Provincial Questions." Mr. Foy.

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Bill (No. 88), intituled "An Act respecting the enforcement of Judges Orders in matters not in Court." Mr. Foy.

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Bill (No. 89), intituled "An Act respecting the Costs of Distress or Seizure of Chattels." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, that the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 90), intituled "An Act respecting Crown Attorneys." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 91) intituled "An Act respecting Commissioners for taking Affidavits." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 92), intituled "An Act respecting Notaries Public." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time, To-morrow.

Bill (No. 94), intituled "An Act respecting Dower." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 95), intituled "An Act respecting Execution." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5.20 p.m.

Thursday, 18th February, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the King's Daughters of Mountain.

By Mr. Hendrie, the Petition of the Charlton Avenue Methodist Church, Hamilton.

By Mr. Downey, the Petition of J. O. McGregor, and others, of Waterdown; also, the Petition of John G. Morlock, and others, of Guelph.

By Mr. Neely, the Petition of the South Western Traction Company; also, the Petition of the Township Council of East Nissouri; also, the Petition of the Township Council of West Nissouri; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Westminster; also, the Petition of the Township Council of North Dorchester.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of the Village Council of Tilbury.

By Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), the Petition of the County Council of Simcoe; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Flos; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Vespra; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Barrie.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of the Town Council of Port Hope; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Cavan; also, Two Petitions of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham.

By Mr. Clark (Bruce), Two Petitions of the County Council of Bruce; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Greenock; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Kincardine; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Huron; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Kincardine.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of J. A. Jackson, and others, of Dereham; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Vienna; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Tillsonburg; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Middleton; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Houghton; also, the Petition of the Township Council of North Walsingham.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Township Council of Tecumseth.

By Mr. Morel, the Petition of the Town Council of North Bay; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Widdifield.

By Mr. Carscallen, the Petition of the Town Council of Napanee; also, the Petition of the Township Council of North Fredericksburgh.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Township Council of South Grimsby; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Grantham; also, the Petition of the Welland Avenue Methodist Church, St. Catharines.

By Mr. Studholme, the Petition of the Charlton Avenue Methodist Sunday School, Hamilton.

By Mr. Ross (Monck), the Petition of the Dunnville, Wellandport and Beamsville Electric Railway Company.

By Mr. Fripp, the Petition of W. J. Armstrong, and others, of Brockville.

By Mr. Pearce, the Petition of the Township Council of Limerick; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Huntingdon.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of Joseph George, and others, of Baldwin; also, the Petition of Harry D. Reynolds, and others, of New Scotland; also, the Petition of James Barclay, and others, of Ridgetown; also, the Petition of J. W. Paisley, and others, of Cedar Springs; also, the Petition of James E. Watson, and others, of Bear Line.

By Mr. Musgrove, the Petition of the Village Council of Blyth.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the King's Daughters of Belleville.

By Mr. Anderson, the Petition of the County Council of Essex; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Mersea.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Village Council of Bloomfield.

By Mr. Reid (Renfrew), the Petition of the County Council of Renfrew.

By Mr. McEwing, the Petition of the Village Council of Drayton; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Palmerston; also, the Petition of the Congregational Church, West Garafraxa; also, the Petition of the Congregational Church, Belwood.

By Mr. MacKay (Oxford), the Petition of the Township Council of East Zora.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of the Town Council of Cornwall.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of the Township Council of Lobo; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Caradoc; also the Petition of the Village Council of Glencoe.

By Mr. McKeown, three Petitions of the County Council of Dufferin; also the Petition of the Township Council of Amaranth.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Otterville; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Springford.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 67), intituled "An Act respecting the Office of Sheriff." Mr. Foy

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 69), intituled "An Act respecting Law Stamps." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 73), intituled "An Act respecting actions of Replevin." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 80), intituled "An Act respecting the administration, by the Crown, of Estates of Intestates." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 93), intituled "An Act to prevent Priority among Execution Creditors." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 70), intituled "An Act respecting the Public Revenue." Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 71), intituled "An Act respecting Municipal Debentures issued for Drainage Works." Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 72), intituled "An Act respecting Tile, Stone and Timber Drainage." Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 99), intituled "An Act respecting the Fiscal Year." Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 84), intituled "An Act respecting Ferries." Mr. Reaume.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 85), intituled "An Act respecting Damage to Lands by Flooding in the New Districts." Mr. Cochrane.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No 60), Respecting Arbitration and References.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 61), To amend the Judicature Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 62), Respecting Public Officers.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 63), Respecting Witnesses and Evidence.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No 64), Respecting Juries and Jurors.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 66), To provide prompt punishment for Personation at Elections for the Legislative Assembly.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 76), Respecting County and District Judges and Local Courts.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 77), Respecting the County Court Judges' Criminal Courts.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 78), Respecting the Courts of General Sessions of the Peace.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 79), Respecting Escheats and Forfeitures.

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Bill (No. 82), Enabling Boards of Trade in Cities to appoint General Arbitrators for certain purposes.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 83), For expediting the decision of Constitutional and other Provincial Questions.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 86), Respecting Absconding Debtors.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 87), For more effectually securing the Liberty of the Subject.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 88), Respecting the enforcement of Judges' Orders in matters not in Court.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 89), Respecting the cost of Distress or Seizure of Chattels.

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Bill (No. 90), Respecting Crown Attorneys.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

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Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 94), Respecting Dower.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No 95), Respecting Execution.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the consideration of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read.

The Debate was resumed, and after some time, it was, on the Motion of Mr. Studholme.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to direct the expenditure of any sum set apart by the Estimates for Art purposes, to be composed as follows:—Mr. Speaker, Sir James Whitney, and Messieurs Foy, Matheson, Hendrie, MacKay (Oxford), Elliot, and Reed (Wentworth.)

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Resolved, That a Special Committee of Thirteen Members be appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, to be composed as follows:—Messieurs Foy, Matheson, Pyne, Preston (Lanark), Mahaffy, Thompson (Simcoe), Hoyle, Clark (Bruce), MacKay (Grey), Bowman, Proudfoot, Ross (Middlesex) and McCart.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Resolved, That a Select Committee of Eleven Members be appointed to act with Mr. Speaker in the control and management of the Library, to be composed as follows:—Sir James Whitney and Messieurs Foy, Matheson, Pyne, Hendrie, Hanna, Lucas, MacKay (Grey), Stock, McDougal, and Kohler.

The House then adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Friday, 19th February, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the Elm Street Methodist Church, Toronto.

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Wyoming.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Owen Sound.

By Mr. Shaw, the Petition of the City Council of Toronto.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Town Council of Oshawa; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Reach; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Whitby.

By Mr. Wilson, the Petition of the Township Council of Beverly; also, the Petition of the Township Council of East Flamboro'; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Waterdown.

By Mr. Preston (Lanark), the Petition of the Baptist Church, Lanark; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Middleville.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Town Council of St. Mary's; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Fullarton.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Petition of the Township Council of East Williams; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Metcalfe; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Biddulph; also, two Petitions of the Township Council of McGillivray.

By Mr. Nickle, the Petition of the Village Council of Portsmouth.

By Mr. Grigg, the Petition of the Township Council of the United Townships of Day and Bright Additional; also, the Petition of the Township Council of the United Townships of Johnson, Tarbutt and Tarbutt Additional.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of the Willing Circle of the King's Daughters, Toronto.

By Mr. McEwing, the Petition of the Royal Templar Council, Drayton.

By Mr. Reed (Wentworth), the Petition of the City Council of Binbrook.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the City Council of Belleville.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Monklands; also, the Petition of the Huntington Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Huntington Methodist Sunday School, all of Woodland.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Mount Meldrum Division, S. of T., Agincourt.

By Mr. McCormack, the Petition of the Township Council of Brooke; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Plympton.

By Mr. Galna, the Petition of the Town Council of Parry Sound; also, the Petition of the Township Council of North Himsworth; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Hagerman; also, the Petition of the Parry Sound Couucil, No. 113, R. T. of T.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of the R. T. of T., Ingersoll.

By Mr. Tudhope, the Petition of the County Council of Simcoe.

By Mr. Whitesides, the Petition of the S. O. T., No. 26, Toronto.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Town Council of Picton ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Athol ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Bloomfield.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Rector and Churchwardens of St. John's Church, Ancaster, praying that an Act may pass to convert into a Cemetery and to vest in them, in trust, certain properties of the Rectory Lands in the Village of Ancaster.

Of the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church, Barrie, praying that an Act may pass to close the old Burial ground, known as the Eugenia Street Burial Ground ; to empower the removal of the dead ; to vest the land in the Board, and to ratify and confirm the sale thereof.

Of James George Guise Bagley, of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario to admit him to practise as a Barrister and Solicitor.

Of Frank William Coolbaugh, and others, of Philadelphia, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Cobourg, Peterborough and Kawartha Lakes Electric Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Collingwood, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain agreement with the Imperial Steel and Wire Coy., Ltd ; to amend 3 Edw. VII., cap. 46, and to ratify and confirm a certain other agreement with the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company.

Of the Town Council of Dundas, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the floating debt and to authorize the issue of debentures.

Of the Municipality of Dysart, and others, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain agreement entered into between the Municipality, the Canadian Land and Immigration Company, and others.

Of Edward C. Rendell, and others, of Mobile, U.S.A., by their Solicitor, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Eastern Ontario Electric Railway Company.

Of the Farrar Transportation Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass to confirm and declare valid the Company's Bond issued to an aggregate amount of $135,000, and the Mortgage and Deed of Trust securing same.

Of the National Trust Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass authorizing and enabling the Company to sell or otherwise dispose of all the estate and effects of Mary Lowell, deceased, and directing the application of the proceeds and income thereof.

Of the County Council of Middlesex, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the Debenture Debt, and to authorize the issue of Debentures to the extent of $486,260.

Of the Municipality of Neebing, praying that an Act may pass to validate and confirm all Assessment Rolls, Collectors' Rolls and Returns in respect of any land purporting to have been sold for taxes prior to 31st December, 1906, and all deeds given in pursuance thereof.

Of Willliam Alfred Burg, and others, of Welland Port, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the People's Railway Company.

Of the National Trust Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass declaratory of the powers of Trustees under the Marriage Settlement of Robert Woods Prittie and Jane Prittie, to make absolute disposition of part of the property, subject to the trusts of the settlement.

Of the Rideau Club, Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass amending Act of incorporation, and to authorize the issue of Mortgage Debentures to an amount not exceeding $250,000, and for other purposes.

Of the Township Council of Springer, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-laws providing for the borrowing of $3,500 to liquidate floating debt.

Of the Town Council of Sturgeon Falls, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 246, providing for the borrowing of $20,000.

Of William J. Crossen, and others, of Cobourg, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Cobourg, Port Hope and Havelock Electric Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of new debentures not to exceed $5,000, in each of the years 1909 to 1918 inclusive, and for other purposes.

Of Charles M. Willard, and others, of Winchester, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating the Morrisburg Electric Railway and to authorize the extension of the line.

Of the City Council of Hamilton, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passage of a By-law for the issue of debentures for an amount not exceeding $237,000 for payment of cost of certain works and improvements.

Of the Canadian Casuality and Boiler Insurance Company, praying that an Act may pass to reduce the Capital Stock of the Company.

Of the City Council of Kingston, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 11 (1909), *re* conveyance of certain land to the Canadian Locomotive Company, Limited.

Of the City Council of Fort William, praying that an Act may pass to amend sec. 7 of cap. 80 8, Ed. VII.; to fix and determine the term of office of the fifth Commissioner and the time for the appointment of the two Commissioners representing the City and the City of Port Arthur, and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of North Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend By-law No. 76, and to ratify and confirm several By-laws for the issue of debentures to provide for cost of laying Water Mains, and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Bruce Mines and Albert Downing, M. D., of Bruce Mines, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the funds known as the Mutual Relief and Hospital Fund of the Bruce Copper Mines, Limited, and the Hospital Fund of the Copper Mining and Smelting Company of Ontario, Limited, and to place said funds under the control and management of Trustees.

Of the Village Council of West Lorne, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 723 of the County of Elgin, incorporating the Village, and By-law No. 34 of the Village, *re* issue of debentures.

Of J. O. McGregor, and others, of Waterdown, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Des Jardins Inter-Urban Railway Company.

Of the Township Council of Etobicoke, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the instalment of a Sewage disposal plant or system; to empower the issue of bonds and debentures and the acquisition of site, and for other purposes

Of the Merchants Fire Insurance Company, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 35, providing for reduction of Capital Stock, and for other purposes.

Of the Kingston School of Mining and Agriculture, praying that an Act may pass to increase the Capital Stock of the Corporation, and the number of Governors thereof.

Of the City Council of Kingston, praying repeal or amendment to the Act of 1908, relating to Police Magistrates.

Of the County Council of Simcoe, praying for certain amendments to the Game Law, prohibiting the killing of deer in the County of Simcoe, for a period of five years.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, praying for certain amendments to the Supplementary Revenue Act, 1899

Of the Town Council of Lindsay, praying for certain amendments to the Act for the Improvement of Public Highways.

Of the County Council of Grey, praying for certain amendments to the Good Roads Improvement Act.

Of Franklin Brown, and others, of Ridgetown; also, of George E. Sparham, and others, of Morpeth, severally praying for certain amendments to the Pharmacy Act.

Of the Milton Council, R. T. of T., No. 61; also, of the Kingston Council of the R. T. of T.; also, of the W. C. T. U., Peterborough, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Of the County Council of Haldimand; also, of the County Council of Grey, severally praying that it may be made illegal to run Motor Vehicles on Highways on Sundays and at least on one other day of the week.

Of the County Council of Essex; also, of the County Council of the United Counties of Lennox and Addington; also, of the County Council of Haldimand, severally praying for certain amendments to the law, respecting the use by non-resident owners of Motor Vehicles.

Of the City Council of St Thomas; also, of the Township Council of Enniskillen; also, of the Township Council of Sidney; also, of the Town Council of Trenton; also, of the Town Council of Sandwich; also, of the Township Council of Sandwich, East; also of the Town Council of Lindsay; also, of the Township Council of Rochester; also, of the Village Council of Millbrook; also, of the Township Council of Maidstone; also, of the Township Council of Tilbury; also, of the Town Council of Bothwell; also, of the Township Council of Richmond; also, of the Township Council of Tosorontio; also, of the Township Council of Essa; also, of the Township Council of Sydenham; also, of the Township Council of North Elmsley; also, of the Town Council of Simcoe; also, of the Township Council of Keppel; also, of the Village Council of Port Dover; also, of the Township Council of Houghton; also, of the Township Council of Raglaw; also, of the Village Council of Woodbridge; also, of the Township Council of Ops; also, of the Township Council of Pittsburgh; also, of the Village Council of Garden Island; also, of the Township Council of Storrington; also, of the Township Council of Portland; also, of the Township Council of Middleton; also, of the Township Council of Onondaga; also, of the Town Council of North Toronto; also, of the Township Council of Markham; also, of the City Council of Peterborough; also, of the Town Council of Durham; also, of the Township Council of Yarmouth; also, of the Township Council of Bayham; also, of the Village Council of Port Stanley; also, of the Township Council of Malahide: also, of the Township Council of McNab; also, of the Township Council of Lanark; also, of the Township Council of South Dumfries; also, of the Town Council of Paris; also, of the Township Council of Lavant; also, of the Township Council of Emily; also, of the Township Council of Hinchinbrook; also, of the Township Council of Oro; also, of the Township Council of the United Townships of Kaladar, Angelsea and Effingham; also, of

the Town Council of Dresden; also, of the Township Council of O'Connor; also, of the Village Council of Wroxeter, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for non-repair of Highways.

Mr. MacKay (Grey), asked the following Question:—

1. When was a branch or sub-department of Forestry established under the Government of Ontario. 2. When was the said branch or sub-department abolished. 3. Why. 4. Is there any official of the Government of Ontario, whose duty it is to deal with Forest conservation or re-forestation, or either of them. 5. Does the Government intend to re-establish a sub-department of Forestry. 6. Have any Forest reserves been established, or set aside, since the beginning of the year 1905. 7. Have any lands been set aside for re-forestation since the beginning of the year 1905.

To which the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines replied in the words following:—

1. June 13th, 1883. 2. Not abolished. 3. See No. 2. 4. Yes, with conservation and re-forestation. 5. It will be continued. 6. Yes. 7. Yes.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 100), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Sir James Whitney.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 74), intituled "An Act respecting the Action of Seduction." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 75), intituled "An Act respecting Millers." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 97), intituled "An Act respecting Investments by Trustees." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No 67), Respecting the Office of Sheriff.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 69), Respecting Law Stamps.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 70), Respecting the Public Revenue.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 71), Respecting Municipal Debentures issued for Drainage Works.

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Bill (No. 72), Respecting Tile, Stone and Timber Drainage.

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Bill (No. 80), Respecting Administration, by the Crown, of Estates of Intestates.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 84), Respecting Ferries.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 85), Respecting Damage to Lands by Flooding in the New Districts.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 93), To prevent Priority among Execution Creditors.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for the consideration of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read.

The Debate was resumed, and after some time,

The Motion, having been again put, was carried, and it was

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, as follows:—

To His Honour, John Morison Gibson, K.C., L.L.D., &c., &c., &c., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious Speech Your Honour has addressed to us.

The Address, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Address be engrossed and presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor by such Members of this House as are Members of the Executive Council.

The House then adjourned at 6.05 p. m.

Monday, 22nd February, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Winchester.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Eugenia; also, the Petition of Chalmers Presbyterian Church, Flesherton; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Hepworth.

By Mr. Preston (Lanark), the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Pakenham.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Epworth League, Uxbridge.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Port Stanley; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Sparta; also the Petition of Council No. 429, R. T. of T., Union.

By Mr. Preston (Lanark), the Petition of the Town Council of Smith's Falls.

By Mr. McNaught, the Petition of the Trustees of Knox Church, Toronto.

By Mr. Gamey, the Petition of the Montreal Trust and Deposit Company.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of the Town Council of Blenheim.

By Mr. Fripp, the Petition of Frederick A. Acland, and others, of Ottawa.

By Mr. Downey, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Rockwood.

By Mr. Shillington, the Petition of the Township Council of Kerns.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Cannifton.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of the County Council of Welland.

By Mr. Tudhope, the Petition of the Township Council of Tay; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Oro; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Coldwater; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Orillia; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Oro; also the Petition of the Unionist Division, S. O. T., Rugby; also, the Petition of the S. O. T., Allenwood.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the Township Council of Caledon; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, two Petitions of the Methodist Church, all of Caledon East; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Churchville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Huttonville; also, the Petition of the Official Board, Malton Circuit.

By Mr. Musgrove, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Brick Church, East Wawanosh; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Dungannon.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Women's Missionary Society, Richmond Hill.

By Mr. Reed (Wentworth), the Petition of the Methodist Church, Tapleytown.

By Mr. Bradburn, the Petition of the St. James' Methodist Church, Peterborough; also, the Petition of the Peterborough Radial Railway Company.

By Mr. MacKay (Oxford), the Petition of the R. T. of T., Innerkip.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of the Township Council of West Oxford; also, the Petition of the Township Council of West Norwich; also, the Petition of the Township Council of North Oxford; also, the Petition of the Township Council of East Oxford; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Salford.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of G. R. Smith, and others, of Wellandport, praying that an Act may pass to enable the Dunnville, Wellandport and Beamsville Electric Railway Company to extend the line from Beamsville to Jordan Harbour.

Of C. S. Cossitt, and others, of Brockville, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Eastern Ontario Counties Electric Belt Line Railway Company.

Of the South Western Traction Company, praying that an Act may pass to amend Act of incorporation; to increase the borrowing powers from $25,000 to $33,000 *per* mile, and for other purposes.

Of the Village Council of Tillbury, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the village as a Town.

Of J. A. Jackson, and others, of Dereham, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Tillsonburg and Southern Counties Railway Company.

Of the Township Council, of Houghton; also, of the Township Council of North Walsingham; also, of the Township Council of Middleton; also, of the Town Council of Tillsonburg; also, of the Village Council of Vienna, severally praying that the Act to incorporate the Tillsonburg and Southern Counties Railway Company may pass.

Of the County Council of Simcoe, praying for certain amendments to the Game Law, so that the killing of deer may be prohibited in the County of Simcoe for a period of five years.

Of the County Council of Bruce, praying for certain amendments to Section 26 of the Municipal Amendment Act of 1897 respecting deviation of boundaries or roads ordered by the Railway and Municipal Board.

Of the County Council of Bruce, praying for certain amendments to the School Act, respecting the expense of pupils attending schools outside their own counties.

Of the Township Council of Kincardine; also, of the Township Council of Greenock, severally praying for certain amendments to the Act respecting County Councils.

Of James E. Watson, and others, of Bear Line; also, of J. W. Paisley, and others, of Cedar Springs; also, of James Barclay, and others, of Ridgetown; also, of A. L. Stirling, and others, of New Scotland; also, of Joseph George, and others, of Baldoon, severally praying for certain amendments to the Pharmacy Act.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham; also, of the County Council of Dufferin, severally praying for certain amendments to the Good Roads Improvement Act.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham; also, of the County Council of Dufferin, praying for certain amendments to the law respecting the use, by non-resident owners, of Motor Vehicles.

Of the County Council of Dufferin; also, of the County Council of Renfrew, severally praying that it be made illegal to run Motor Vehicles on highways on Sunday and at least on one other day of the week.

Of the Town Council of Barrie; also, of the Township Council of Vespra; also, of the Township Council of Tecumseth; also, of the Town Council of Kincardine; also, of the Township Council of Huron; also, of the Town Council of North Bay; also, of the Township Council of Widdifield; also, of the Township Council of Fredericksburg North; also, of the Town Council of Napanee; also, of the Township Council of East Zora; also, of the Township Council of Cavan; also, of the Town Council of Port Hope; also, of the Township Council of Huntingdon; also, of the Township Council of Limerick; also, of the Village Council of Bloomfield; also, of the Township Council of Mersea; also, of

the Village Council of Blyth; also, of the Town Council of Cornwall; also, of the Town Council of Palmerston; also, of the Village Council of Drayton; also, of the Village Council of Glencoe; also, of the Township Council of Caradoc; also, of the Township Council of Lobo; also, of the Township Council of Amaranth; also, of the Township Council of North Dorchester; also, of the Township Council of West Nissouri; also, of the Township Council of Flos; also, of the Township Council of Grantham; also, of the Township Council of South Grimsby, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for non-repair of Highways.

Of the Charlton Avenue Methodist Church; also, of the Charlton Avenue Methodist Sunday School, all of Hamilton; also, of the King's Daughters of Mountain; also, of the King's Daughters of Belleville; also, of the Congregational Church, Belwood; also, of the Congregational Church, West Garafraxa; also, of the Baptist Church, Otterville; also, of the Baptist Church, Springford; also, of the Welland Avenue Methodist Church, St. Catharines, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 65), intituled "An Act respecting the Provisional County of Haliburton." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 96), intituled "An Act respecting Mortmain and the Disposition of Land for Charitable Uses." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 3.20 p.m.

Tuesday, 23rd February, 1909.

PRAYERS. 8 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the Epworth League, Winchester.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Town Council of Perth; also, the Petition of the Methodist Epworth League, Smith's Falls.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of Knox Presbyterian Church, Proton.

By Mr. Downey, the Petition of the Township Council of Pilkington.

By Mr. Machin, the Petition of the Town Council of Kenora.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of Lifeboat Lodge, I. O. G. T., Toronto; also, the Petition of High Park Avenue Methodist Church, West Toronto.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the City Council of St. Catharines.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of the City Council of Chatham.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of James Campbell Saddler, and others, of Belmont; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Westminster; also, the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School, Sparta.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Epworth League, Kinsale.

By Mr Richardson, the Petition of St. Peter's Presbyterian Church, Madoc.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School. St. George's Lake; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Board, all of Sharbot Lake.

By Mr. Pratt, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Simcoe.

By Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Spencerville; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Kemptville.

By Mr. Fripp, the Petition of Rideau Lodge, No. 375, I. O. G. T.; also, the Petition of Cameron Lodge, No. 338, I. O. G. T., all of Ottawa.

By Mr. Studholme, the Petition of the Sunday School of the Emerald Street Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Session of St. Andrew's Church, all of Hamilton.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Public School; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, all of Smithville; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Queenston; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Virgil; also, the Petition of the three Methodist Churches, Caistorville; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Welland Avenue Methodist Church, St. Catharines.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of E. P. Ridley, and others, of Ridley; also, the Petition of Mathew Rankin, and others, of Mitchell's Bay; also, the Petition of Richard Wyatt, and others, of Harwich; also, the Petition of W. C. Martinson, and others, of Northwood; also, the Petition of James N. Nevils, and others, of Guilds; also, the Petition of B. S. Russell, and others, of Charing Cross; also, the Petition of M. Edwards, and others, of Coatsworth; also, the Petition of J. R. Hartman, and others, of Kent Centre.

By Mr. Reid (Renfrew), the Petition of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Congregation, Beachburg; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Locksley.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Norwich; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Norwich.

By Mr. McEwing, the Petition of the Township Council of Minto.

By Mr. Nixon, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Oakville.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Baptist Bible School, Picton.

By Mr. Galna, the Petition of the Township Council of Christie; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Parry Sound.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Harold Sunday School, Rawdon.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of the Epworth League, Marksville.

By Mr. Lennox, the Petition of the Ladies' Aid; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of Council No. 92, R. T. of T., all of Stouffville; also, the Petition of the Session of Chalmers Presbyterian Church, Mount Albert.

By Mr. Neely, two Petitions of the City Council of London.

By Mr. Anderson, the Petition of the Township Council of Gosfield North; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Essex; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Mersea; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Pelee.

By Mr. Brewster, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, St. George.

By Mr. Sulman, two Petitions of the County Council of Kent; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Tilbury; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Chatham.

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Town Council of Orangeville; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Melancthon.

By Mr. Pharand, the Petition of the Township Council of East Hawkesbury.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the W.C.T.U; also, the Petition of the Young Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Church, all of Alliston.

By Mr. Thompson (Peterborough), the Petition of the Township Council of Chandos; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Otonabe.

By Mr. Aubin, the Petition of the Township Council of the United Townships of Rutter and Dunnett.

By. Mr. Craig, the Petition of Angus MacKinnon, and others, of Guelph; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Elora.

By Mr. Pearce, the Petition of the Village Council of Madoc.

By Mr. McCormack, the Petition of the Village Council of Alvinston; also, the Petition of the Local Option Association, Moore; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Petrolea.

By Mr. Whitesides, the Petition of the Centennial Epworth League, Toronto.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of the Township Council of Oliver; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Elizabethtown; also, the Petition of the Township Council of the United Townships of Jaffray and Melick; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Bosanquet; also, the Petition of the City Council of London; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Rama.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Aggressive Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Cargill.

By Mr. Proudfoot, the Petition of the W.C.T.U.; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Blyth; also, the Petition of Wesley Methodist Church, Clinton.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the passing of a By-law for the appropriation and payment of the sum of $10,000 each year, for forty years, to the benefit fund of the Police; to provide for the creation of an Audit Department; to authorize the annexation of the City of West Toronto, and granting the City an exclusive right to sell hay and other fodder at the City Cattle Market.

Of the County Council of Simcoe, praying for certain amendments to the Game Law, so that the killing of deer may be prohibited in the County of Simcoe for a period of five years.

Of the Township Council of Athol; also, of the Town Council of Picton; also, of the Town Council of Parry Sound; also, of the Township Council of North Himsworth; also, of the Township Council of Hagerman; also, of the Township Council of Brooke; also, of the City Council of Belleville; also, of the Township Council of Binbrook; also, of the Township Council of Plympton; also, of the Township Council of the United Counties of Day and Bright Additional; also, of the Township Council of the United Townships of Johnson, Tarbutt and Tarbutt Additional; also, of the Village Council of Portsmouth; also, of the Township Council of East Williams; also, of the Township Council of Metcalfe; also, of the Township Council of Biddulph; also, of the Township Council of McGillivray; also, of the Town Council of St. Mary's; also, of the

Township Council of Fullarton; also, of the Township Council of Whitby; also, of the Township Council of Reach; also, of the Town Council of Oshawa; also, of the Township Council of Beverley; also, of the Township Council of East Flamboro'; also, of the Village Council of Waterdown, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for non-repair of highways.

Of the Elm Street Methodist Church; also, of the S. O. T., No. 26, all of Toronto; also of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Bloomfield; also, of the R. T. of T., Ingersoll; also, of the R. T. of T., No. 113, Parry Sound; also, of the Mount Meldrum Division S. O. T., Agincourt; also, of the Huntington Methodist Church; also, of the Huntington Methodist Sunday School, all of Woodland; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Monklands; also, of the Royal Templar Council, Drayton; also, of the Willing Circle of the King's Daughters, Toronto; also, of the Baptist Church, Lanark; also, of the Baptist Church, Middleville; also, of the W. C. T. U., Owen Sound; also, of the W. C. T. U., Wyoming, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr, Matheson, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by the House, presented the following Lists as their Report:—

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.—Sir James Whitney, Messieurs Bowyer, Bowman, Brewster, Clarke (Northumberland), Devitt, Duff, Ferguson (Grenville), Foy, Fox, Fripp, Gallagher, Galna, Hanna, Jamieson, Jessop, Lackner, Lennox, Lucas, Macdiarmid, MacKay (Grey), Mahaffy, Matheson, Nickle, McGarry, Norman, Paul, Preston (Lanark), Proudfoot, Racine, Ross (Middlesex), Shillington, Thompson (Simcoe), Truax, Tudhope and Whitesides—36.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine Members.

COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—Sir James Whitney, Messieurs Anderson, Aubin, Beck, Bowman, Carnegie, Carrick, Clark (Bruce), Clarke (Northumberland), Charters, Cochrane, Downey, Eilber, Elliott, Fisher, Foy, Fraser, Fripp, Gallagher, Gamey, Galna, Grigg, Godfrey, Hanna, Hearst, Hendrie, Hoyle, Jamieson, Jessop, Lackner, Lennox, Macdiarmid, MacKay (Grey), Machin, Mahaffy, Matheson, Mayberry, McDonald, McDougal, McEwing, McGarry, McNaught, McPherson, Nickle, Nixon, Neely, Norman, Nesbitt, Pratt, Preston (Durham), Preston (Lanark), Proudfoot, Pyne, Racine, Reaume, Reid (Renfrew), Ross (Middlesex), Ross (Monck), Shaw, Shillington, Smellie, Studholme, Thompson (Peterborough), Truax, Tudhope, Whitesides and Wilson—67.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine Members.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS.—Sir James Whitney, Messieurs Beck, Bowman, Bradburn, Brewster, Brower, Calder, Carrick, Carscallen, Clark (Bruce), Clarke (Northumberland), Craig, Downey, Duff, Elliott, Ferguson (Grenville), Fisher, Fox, Foy, Fraser, Fripp, Gallagher, Gamey, Godfrey, Gooderham, Hanna, Hearst, Hendrie, Hoyle, Innes, Jamieson, Jessop, Kohler, Lennox, Lucas, MacKay (Grey), Mahaffy, Matheson, McCowan, McCart, McDougal, McGarry, McKeown, McNaught, McPherson, Nickle, Preston (Durham), Preston (Lanark), Pratt, Proudfoot, Racine, Reed (Wentworth), Ross (Middlesex), Shaw, Smellie, Sulman, Thompson (Simcoe), Torrance, Tudhope and Whitesides—60.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine Members.

COMMITTEE ON STANDING ORDERS.—Sir James Whitney, Messieurs Anderson, Aubin, Bowyer, Bradburn, Carrick, Charters, Dargavel, Devitt, Donovan, Ferguson (Cardwell), Fisher, Galna, Godfrey, Grigg, Hoyle, Innes, Johnson, Kohler, Machin, Mayberry, MacKay (Grey), MacKay (Oxford), Morel, Musgrove, McCormack, McCowan, McDonald, McEwing, Nesbitt, Nixon, Norman, Paul, Pharand, Preston (Lanark), Racine, Reid (Renfrew), Reed (Wentworth), Richardson, Ross (Middlesex), Stock, Studholme, Thompson (Peterborough), Torrance, Truax and Whitesides—46.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Seven Members.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Sir James Whitney, Messieurs Bowman, Carnegie, Clark (Bruce), Clarke (Northumberland), Cochrane, Craig, Dargavel, Eilber, Elliott, Ferguson (Grenville), Fox, Fraser, Fripp, Gamey, Hanna, Hendrie, Johnson, Mahaffy, MacKay (Grey), Matheson, Musgrove, McCart, McDougal, McElroy, McEwing, McGarry, McKeown, Pattinson, Pearce, Preston (Lanark), Preston (Rainy River), Proudfoot, Racine, Reaume, Ross (Middlesex), Shillington, Thompson (Simcoe) and Tudhope—39.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Seven Members.

COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.—Messieurs Anderson, Bowyer, Carscallen, Charters, Clark (Bruce), Downey, Kohler, Matheson, Musgrove, McCart, McCormack Preston (Lanark), Sulman, Richardson, Ross (Monck) and Wilson—16.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Five Members.

COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL LAW.—Sir James Whitney, Messieurs Aubin, Beck, Bowman, Bowyer, Bradburn, Brower, Calder, Carnegie, Carrick, Carscallen, Craig, Clark (Bruce), Dargavel, Devitt, Duff, Eilber, Elliott, Ferguson (Cardwell), Ferguson (Grenville), Fisher, Foy, Fox, Fraser, Fripp, Godfrey, Gooderham, Hanna, Hendrie, Hoyle, Jamieson, Johnson, Kohler, Lackner, Lennox, Macdiarmid, MacKay (Grey), McKay (Oxford), Machin, Mahaffy, McCart, McCowan, McDonald, McDougal, McElroy, McEwing, McGarry, McKeown, McNaught, McPherson, Neely, Nickle, Nixon, Pattinson, Pearce, Preston (Durham), Preston (Rainy River), Pyne, Racine, Reed (Wentworth), Reid

(Renfrew), Ross (Middlesex), Shaw, Stock, Studholme, Sulman, Thompson (Simcoe), Truax, Tudhope and Whitesides—70.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine Members.

COMMITTEE ON LEGAL BILLS.—Sir James Whitney, Messieurs Beck, Brewster, Downey, Elliott, Foy, Hanna, Hearst, Hendrie, Lucas, MacKay (Grey), Matheson, McDougal, McKeown, McPherson, Proudfoot, Pyne, Reaume, and Thompson (Simcoe)—19.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Five Members

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND COLONIZATION.—Sir James Whitney, Messieurs Bowyer, Brower, Calder, Carnegie, Carscallen, Cochrane, Dargavel, Devitt, Donovan, Duff, Eilber, Ferguson (Cardwell), Fox, Galna, Gamey, Grigg, Jessop, Kohler, Macdiarmid, Mahaffy, MacKay (Grey), MacKay (Oxford), Mayberry, Morel, McCart, McCormack, McCowan, McElroy, McEwing, Neely, Nesbitt, Norman, Pattinson, Paul, Pearce, Pharand, Preston (Durham), Preston (Lanark), Pratt, Reed (Wentworth), Reid (Renfrew), Richardson, Smellie, Stock, Thompson (Peterborough), Torrance and Wilson—48.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Nine Members.

COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME.—Messieurs Aubin, Bradburn, Brower, Bowyer, Bowman, Beck, Clarke (Northumberland), Dargavel, Donovan, Duff, Eilber, Ferguson (Grenville), Galna, Gooderham, Hendrie, Hoyle, McKay (Grey), Mahaffy, Morel, Musgrove, Pratt, Preston (Rainy River), Reaume, Reed (Wentworth) and Tudhope—25.

The Quorum of said Committee to consist of Seven Members.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the above Report.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 101), intituled "An Act to amend the Forest Reserve Act." Mr. Cochrane.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill No. (102), intituled "An Act to amend the Pharmacy Act." Mr. Bowyer.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 74), Respecting the Action of Seduction.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 75), Respecting Millers.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 97), Respecting Investments by Trustees.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 65), Respecting the Provisional County of Haliburton.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 96), Respecting Mortmain and the Disposition of Land for Charitable Uses.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 99), Respecting the Fiscal Year.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 100), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 62), Respecting Public Officers, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 66), To provide prompt punishment for Personation at Elections for the Legislative Assembly, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 76), Respecting County and District Judges and Local Courts, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 77), Respecting the County Court Judges' Criminal Courts, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 78), Respecting the Courts of General Sessions of the Peace, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 79), Respecting Escheats and Forfeitures, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 82), Enabling Boards of Trade in Cities to appoint General Arbitrators for certain purposes, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 83), For Expediting the Decision of Constitutional and other Provincial Questions, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 88), Respecting the enforcement of Judges Orders in matters not in Court, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No 91), Respecting Commissioners for taking Affidavits, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 92), Respecting Notaries Public, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 69), Respecting Law Stamps, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 80), Respecting the administration, by the Crown, of Estates of Intestates, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 72), Respecting Tile, Stone and Timber Drainage, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill, with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 71), Respecting Municipal Debentures issued for Drainage Works, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 87), For more effectually securing the Liberty of the Subject, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 90), Respecting Crown Attorneys, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

Wednesday, 24th February, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Winchester.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the I. O. G. T., Toronto.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of the Beech Avenue Methodist Sunday School, Toronto.

By Mr. Reaume, the Petition of the Epworth League, Ruscourt.

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Brigden; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Plympton.

By Mr. Hendrie, the Petition of the Ladies' Aid of the Emerald Street Church; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Board of the Emerald Street Methodist Church, all of Hamilton.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Prohibition Alliance, Centre Grey.

By Mr. Preston (Lanark), the Petition of the Baptist Church, Almonte.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Westminster Guild, Wick; also, the Petition of St. Andrew's Sabbath School, Sonya.

By Mr. Clark (Bruce), the Petition of the Ontario West Shore Electric Railway Company.

By Mr. Downey, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, Morriston.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of William B. Deacon, and others, of Belleville; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Coe Hill.

By Mr. Bradburn, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Springville.

By Mr. Gooderham, the Petition of the Broadway Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Northern Star Council, No. 28, R. T. of T., all of Toronto.

By Mr. Smellie, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Fort William.

By Mr. Devitt, the Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Blackstock; also, the Petition of Excelsior Council, No. 48, R. T. of T., Bowmanville.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of Victoria Lodge, No. 19, I. O. G. T.; also, the Petition of the Western W. C. T. U., all of Toronto.

By Mr. Studholme, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Emerald Street Methodist Church, Hamilton.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Division of Temperance, Motherwell.

By Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), the Petition of the S. O. T.; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Grenfel.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of William J. Vaughan, and others, of Stewart; also, the Petition of C. B. Shaw, and others, of Kent Bridge; also, the Petition of J. H. Alexander, and others, of Ridgetown; also, the Petition of W. J. Kearns, and others, of Fletcher; also, the Petition of James H. McKerrall, and others, of Appledore; also, the Petition of Peter Milne, and others, of North Buxton; also, the Petition of Ewart C. McEachern, and others, of Louisville; also, the Petition of Peter Ennett, and others, of Turnerville; also, the Petition of Neil Watson, and others, of Mull.

By Mr. Musgrove, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Fordwich.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, East Korah.

By Mr. Preston (Rainy River), the Petition of the Council of the Municipality of Shuniah; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Fort Frances; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Schreiber.

By Mr. Reid (Renfrew), the Petition of the Methodist Church, Lockerby; also, the Petition of St. Andrew's Church, Beachburg.

By Mr. Galna, the Petition of the Methodist Bible Class, Parry Sound.

By Mr. Sulman, four Petitions of the County Council of Kent; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Tilbury East.

By Mr. Anderson, two Petitions of the County Council of Essex; also, the Petition of Knox Presbyterian Church, Leamington.

By Mr. Ross (Monck), the Petition of the Township Council of Canboro'.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of C. W. Walker, and others, of St. Thomas.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Picton.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of the Sunday School, Williamstown.

By Mr. McElroy, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Manotick.

By Mr. Reed (Wentworth), the Petition of the Ladies Aid Society ; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board, all of Tapleytown.

By Mr. Brewster, the Petition of the Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of St George.

By Mr. Racine, the Petition of the Township Council of Cambridge.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Epworth League, Cannifton.

By Mr. Pratt, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Simcoe.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Epworth League, Orchard ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Massie.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Don Mills.

By Mr. Neely, the Petition of the City Council of London.

By Mr. MacKay (Oxford), the Petition of the Baptist Church, Zora; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Kintore.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of the Charles Street Methodist Church, Ingersoll ; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Tillsonburg.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of the Township Council of Cornwall; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Aultsville; also, the Petition of Knox Church Session, Cornwall.

By Mr. McCormack, the Petition of the Epworth League, Oil City ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Petrolea.

By Mr. Proudfoot, the Petition of the Citizens' League, Clinton.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Blenheim, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By-laws and the Debentures issued thereunder.

Of Frederick A. Acland, and others, of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Civil Service Co-Operative Savings and Loan Society, Limited, of Ottawa.

Of the Village Council of Hepworth, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 14 (1907) and By-law No. 11 (1908), guaranteeing the Bonds of the Hepworth Manufacturing Company, Limited.

Of the Montreal Trust and Deposit Company, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Company to carry on business in the Province of Ontario.

Of the Peterborough Radial Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for completion of the road and authorizing an extension from Clear Lake to Stony Lake.

Of the Town Council of Smith's Falls, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 794, authorizing issue of debentures.

Of the Trustees of Knox Church, Toronto, praying that an Act may pass empowering the sale by them of Gore Lot on the north side of Duchess Street, in the City of Toronto.

Of the County Council of Welland, praying for certain amendments to the Good Roads Improvement Act.

Of the Township Council of Caledon; also, of the Township Council of Kerns; also, of the Township Council of Albion; also, of the Township Council of Tay; also, of the Township Council of Oro; also, of the Village Council of Coldwater; also, of the Township Council of West Oxford; also, of the Township Council of South Norwich; also, of the Township Council of North Oxford; also, of the Township Council of East Oxford, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for non-repair of Highways.

Of the Methodist Church, Winchester; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Packenham; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Eugenia; also, of the Chalmers' Presbyterian Church, Flesherton; also, of the Epworth League, Uxbridge; also of the W. C. T. U., Rockwood; also, of Council No. 429, R. T. of T., Union; also, of the Baptist Church, Sparta; also, of the Methodist Church, Port Stanley; also, of the Methodist Church, Cannifton; also, of the Methodist Church, Orillia; also, of the Essex Presbyterian Church, Oro; also, of the Unionist Division, S. O. T., Rugby; also, of the S. O. T., Allanwood; also, of the R. T. of T., Innerkip: also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Caledon East; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, Churchville; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, Huttonville; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, Malton; also, of St. James' Methodist Church, Peterborough; also, of the Methodist Church, Tapleytown; also, of the Women's Missionary Society, Richmond Hill; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church Dungannon; also, of the Epworth League of the Brick Church, East Wawanosh; also, of the Epworth League of Salford, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 68), intituled "An Act respecting the Publication of Official Notices." Mr. Hanna.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 103), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Fripp.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 100), To amend the Municipal Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 75), Respecting Millers, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 89), Respecting the Cost of Distress or Seizure of Chattels, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 73), Respecting Actions of Replevin, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No 97), Respecting Investments by Trustees, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 67), Respecting the Office of Sheriff, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 70), Respecting the Public Revenue, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker

resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 99), Respecting the Fiscal Year, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 95), Respecting Execution, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 94), Respecting Dower, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and, Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 85), Respecting Damage to Lands by Flooding in the New Districts, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 60), Respecting Arbitration and References, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 61), To amend the Judicature Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No 64), Respecting Juries and Jurors, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 74), Respecting the Action of Seduction, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, 25th February, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Sunday School, Playfair.

By Mr. Duff, the Petition of Friendship Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Maple Street Methodist Sunday School, all of Collingwood; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Stayner.

By Mr. Beck, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class; also, the Petition of St. Andrew's Sunday School; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of the Temperance League; also, the Petition of Council No. 397, R. T. of T.; also, the Petition of St. Andrew's Church; also, the Petition of No. 8 Club, Dundas Street Church, all of London.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Epworth League, Clavering; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Owen Sound.

By Mr. Grigg, the Petition of Peter Wallace, and others, of Blind River.

By Mr. Fripp, the Petition of the Stratford and St. Joseph Radial Railway Company; also, the Petition of the French Baptist Sunday School, Ottawa.

By Mr. Tudhope, the Petition of the Town Council of Midland.

By Mr. Godfrey, the Petition of the Toronto Surburban Railway Company.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Womans' Mission Circle, Fullarton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, St. Mary's.

By Mr. Gamey, the Petition of the Township Council of Billings.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Arden Sabbath School; also, the Petition of Wolftown Lodge, No. 387, I. O. G. T.; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Elginburg.

By Mr. Gooderham, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Toronto.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of St. Paul's Church, all of Brampton; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Alton; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Inglewood.

By Mr. McNaught, the Petition of the Canadian Temperance League, Toronto.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Wick; also, the Petition of St. Andrew's Church, Sonya; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Rama.

By Mr. Pattinson, the Petition of the Village Council of Ayr; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Waterloo; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Wilmot; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Galt; also, the Petition of North Dumfries; also, the Petition of the Evangelical Sunday School, Hespeler; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Galt.

By Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), the Petition of the Methodist Epworth League, Shanly.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of the Epworth League, Wardsville; also, the Petition of the Guthrie Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Guthrie Presbyterian Church, all of Melbourne.

By Mr. Wilson, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Council of R. T. of T., all of Palmerston; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Drew; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Monck; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, West Flamboro'; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Barton.

By Mr. Studholme, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Emerald Street Methodist Church; also, the Petition of Zion Tabernacle Sunday School, all of Hamilton.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of St. Paul Street Methodist Church, St. Catharines; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Smithville; also, the

Petition of the Social and Literary Circle, Niagara-on-the-Lake; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Grimsby; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Campden.

By Mr. McGarry, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Renfrew.

By Mr. McDougal, the Petition of District Lodge, No. 1, I. O. G. T., Carlton; also, the Petition of Goodwill Lodge, I. O. G. T.; also, the Petition of the Eastern Methodist Church, all of Ottawa.

By Mr. Torrance, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Listowel.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of the Sunday School, Rodney; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Middlemarch; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Iona Station; also, the Petition of the Ministerial Association, Aldborough.

By Mr. Proudfoot, the Petition of the Wesley Methodist Sunday School, Clinton.

By Mr. Pratt, the Petition of the Epworth League, Simcoe.

By Mr. Preston (Lanark), the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School, Almonte.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, Myrtle; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Kinsale; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Prince Albert.

By Mr. Nixon, the Petition of the R. T. of T. Council; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Georgetown.

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Mulmer; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Primrose.

By Mr. Brewster, the Petition of the Township Council of Oakland; also, the Petition of the Baptist Sabbath School, Walkerton.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Frankford.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of the Hephzibah Congregation, Williamstown.

By Mr. Musgrove, the Petition of the Epworth League, Auburn.

By Mr. Neely, the Petition of the Salem Methodist Sunday School, Derwent.

By Mr. Lackner, the Petition of the Breithaupt Leather Company, and others; also, the Petition of C. C. Hahn, and others, all of Berlin.

By Mr. Reid (Renfrew), the Petition of the Presbyterian Congregation, Westmeath.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of the Fair Mount Sabbath School, Cavan.

By Mr. Galna, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Parry Sound; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, McKellar; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, South River.

By Mr. Godfrey, the Petition of the Township Council of Vaughan; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Weston; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Kleinburg; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Newtonbrook; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Lambton Mills; also, the Petition of the R. T. of T., West Toronto.

By Mr. Devitt, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Orono; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Cadmus.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Rednerville.

By Mr McCart, the Petition of the Young Peoples' Guild; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Avonmore; also, the Petition of the Young Peoples' Society, Cornwall; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Aultsville.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of V. T. Carter, and others, of Welland; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Allanburg.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 496, East Korah; also, the Petition of the Iron River Sunday School, McDonald Township.

By Mr. Whitesides, the Petition of the Beach Avenue Methodist Church Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Willard Creighton W. C. T. U., all of Toronto.

By Mr. Pharand, the Petition of Kirby's School, Chute a Blondeau.

By. Mr. Clarke (Northumberland), the Petition of the Township Council of Alnwick; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Camborne.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of Herbert Lee, and others, Highgate; also, the Petition of Hiram McLarty, and others, of Selton; also, the Petition of William A. Shaw, and others, of Tilbury; also, the Petition of E. H. Foxton, and others, of Glenwood; also, the Petition of Albert Metcalfe, and others, of Renwick; also, the Petition of G. D. Ferguson, and others, of Clearville; also, the Petition of William Robertson, and others, of Eberts; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Thamesville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church,

Lousville; also, the Petition of James Goulet, and others, of Ouvry; also, the Petition of S. S. Gilhula, and others; also, the Petition of B. G. Brook, and others, all of Buxton.

By Mr. Thompson (Peterborough), the Petition of the Epworth League, Norwood.

By Mr. Morel, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., all of Sudbury.

By Mr. Fisher, the Petition of the Sunday School, Harley.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Epworth League, Don Mills; also, the Petition of the Men's Adult Bible Class, Markham.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of Council, No. 32, R. T. of T., Norwich; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Tillsonburg; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Ingersoll.

By Mr. Mackay (Oxford), the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Ingersoll; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Tavistock.

By Mr. Reed (Wentworth), the Petition of the Baptist Church, Jerseyville.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the City Council of Chatham, praying that an Act may pass to revive and confirm By-law No. 815, *re* loan of $50,000 to the Chatham, Wallaceburg and Lake Erie Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Kenora, praying that an Act may pass to increase the rate of interest from 5 to 5½ *per cent.* on the debentures to the amount of $200,000, authorized by By-laws No.'s 388 and 396, and for other purposes.

Of the City Council of London, praying that an Act may pass amending the Railway Act, so as to provide that the Council may pass a By-law to permit the London Street Railway Company to run its cars on Sunday.

Of the City Council of St. Catharines, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 1,995, relating to the Whitman, Barnes Manufacturing Company.

Of James Campbell Saddler, and others, of Belmont; also, the Township Council of Westminster, severally praying that the Act to incorporate the Tillsonburg and Southern Counties Railway Company may pass.

Of E. P. Ridley, and others, of Ridley; also, of Mathew Rankin, and others, of Mitchell's Bay; also, of Richard Wyatt, and others, of Harwich; also, of

W. C. Martinson, and others, of Northwood ; also, of James N. Neville, and others, of Guilds ; also, of B. S. Russell, and others, of Charing Cross ; also, of M. Edwards, and others, of Coatsworth ; also, of J. R. Hartman, and others, of Kent Centre, severally praying for certain amendments to the Pharmacy Act.

Of the City Council of London, praying that Section 355 of the Consolidated Municipal Act 1903, respecting voters qualified in different wards, should be repealed or amended so as not to apply to Cities.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Drainage Act.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying that it be made illegal to run Motor Vehicles on highways on Sunday, and at least one other day of the week.

Of the Town Council of Perth ; also, of the Township Council of Pilkington ; also, of the Township Council of Minto ; also, of the Township Council of Christie ; also, of the Town Council of Orangeville ; also, of the Township Council of Melancthon ; also, of the Village Council of Tilbury ; also, of the Township Council of East Hawkesbury ; also, of the Township Council of Gosfield North ; also, of the Town Council of Essex ; also, of the Township Council of Mersea ; also, of the Township Council of Pelee ; also, of the Township Council of the United Townships of Ratter and Dunnett ; also, of the Township Council of Otonabee ; also, of the Township Council of Chandos ; also, of the Village Council of Alvinston ; also, of the Village Council of Madoc ; also, of the Village Council of Elora ; also, of the City Council of London ; also, of the Township Council of Oliver ; also, of the Township Council of Elizabethtown ; also, of the Township Council of the United Townships of Jaffray and Melick ; also, of the Township Council of Bosanquet ; also, of the Township Council of Rama, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of Highways.

Of the Epworth League, Winchester ; also, of the Lifeboat Lodge, I.O.G.T., Toronto ; also, of the High Park Methodist Church, West Toronto ; also, of the Epworth League, Smith's Falls ; also, of the Knox Presbyterian Church, Proton ; also, of the Central Epworth League, Toronto East District ; also, of the Epworth League, Kinsale ; also, of the Baptist Church, Sparta ; also, of St. Peter's Presbyterian Church, Madoc ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, St. George's Lake ; also, of the Quarterly Official Board ; also, of the Methodist Church ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Sharbot Lake ; also, of St. Andrew's Church ; also, of the International Lodge, I. O. G. T. ; also, of the Emerald Street Methodist Church, all of Hamilton ; also, of the Rideau Lodge, No. 375, I. O. G. T. ; also, of Cameron Lodge, I. O. G. T., all of Ottawa ; also, of the W. C. T. U., Kemptville ; also, of the W. C. T. U., Spencerville ; also, of the

Methodist Church, Simcoe; also, of the Public School; also, of the Presbyterian Church, all of Smithville; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, St. Catherines; also of the Baptist Church, Queenston; also, of the Baptist Church, Virgil; also, of the Methodist Church, Caistorville; also, of St. Andrew's Church, Beachburg; also of the Methodist Sunday School, Locksley; also, of the W. C. T. U.; also of the Methodist Church, all of Norwich; also, of the Baptist Bible School, Picton; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Oakville; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Parry Sound; also, of the Harold Sunday School, Rawdon; also, of the Epworth League, Marksville; also, of the Ladies' Aid; also, of the W. C. T. U.; also, of Council, No. 92, R. T. of T., all of Stouffville; also, of Chalmers Presbyterian Church, Mount Albert; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, St. George; also, of the W. C. T. U., Chatham; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the W. C. T. U.; also, of the Young Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Church, all of Alliston; also, of the Local Option Association of Moore; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Petrolea; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, of the Bible Class of the Methodist Church, all of Cargill; also, of the W. C. T. U; also, of the Epworth League, all of Blyth; also, of the Wesley Methodist Church, Clinton, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 104), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Fraser.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 105), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Division Courts." Mr. McGarry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 106), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Hoyle.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 107), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act" Mr. Craig.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 108), intituled "An Act to amend the Act of Incorporation of the Ontario Veterinary Association." Mr. McGarry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Mr. MacKay (Grey), asked the following Question :—

1. Have any steps been taken towards providing Police protection for the new Mining Camps of Gowganda and South Gowganda 2. If so, what has been done. 3. Has a town site been laid out at Gowganda. 4. If so, when does the Government expect to have the said town site open so that town lots may be purchased, and how will they be sold: 5. Has a town site been laid out at South Gowganda. 6. If so, when and how will the town sites be sold. 7. Is it the intention of the Government to immediately establish a Mining Recorder's Office at Gowganda or South Gowganda. 8. Has any inspection yet been made of any of the Mining Claims that have been staked out between the Montreal River and the District of Algoma during the past nine months. 9. Is it the intention of the Government to continue the branch of the T. & N. O. Railway from Charlton to Elk Lake and Gowganda.

To which the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines replied in the words following :—

1. Yes. 2. A constable has been appointed for this and adjacent territory. 3. Yes. 4. A sale of lots has been advertised by tender on 13th March next. 5. No. 6. See No. 5. 7. A Mining Division has been established at Gowganda and a Recorder appointed. An office will be opened there as soon as the records can be transferred from Smyth. 8. Yes. 9. The matter is under consideration.

On motion of Mr. Foy, seconded by Mr. Matheson,

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the remuneration of Sheriffs.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That where it appears, by a Return to the Lieutenant-Governor or to any Department of the Government, that in any year a Sheriff, not paid wholly or in part by salary, has derived from the fees and emoluments of his office, after deducting necessary disbursements, an income which does not exceed the sum of $1,200, there may, on the Report of the Inspector of Legal Offices, be paid to such Sheriff an amount sufficient to make up the income for the year to $1,200, if the Lieutenant-Governor in Council so directs.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That where it appears, by a Return to the Lieutenant-Governor or to any Department of the Government, that in any year a Sheriff, not paid wholly or in part by salary, has derived from the fees and emoluments of his office, after deducting necessary disbursements, an income which does not exceed the sum of $1,200, there may, on the report of the Inspector of Legal Offices, be paid to such Sheriff an amount sufficient to make up the income for the year to $1,200, if the Lieutenant-Governor in Council so directs.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 67), Respecting the Office of Sheriff.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 68), Respecting the Publication of Official Notices.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 101), To amend the Forest Reserve Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 67), Respecting the Office of Sheriff, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 63), Respecting Witnesses and Evidence, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 86), Respecting Absconding Debtors, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker

resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 93), To prevent Priority among Execution Creditors, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No 96), Respecting Mortmain and the Disposition of Land for Charitable Uses, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had ordered him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 109), intituled "An Act to amend the Judicature Act." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 4.40 p.m.

Friday, 26th February, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Inkerman.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Epworth League, Playfair.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of the Gordon Union W. C. T. U., Toronto.

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Sarnia Township; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, Point Edward.

By Mr. Reaume, the Petition of the Epworth League, Walkerville.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Epworth League, Thornbury.

By Mr. McNaught, the Petition of the Upper Canada Bible Society and the Upper Canada Religious Tract Society.

By Mr. Grigg, the Petition of Thomas Joseph Foster, and others, of Richard's Landing.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Good Templar's Lodge, Rama; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Wick.

By Mr. Neely, the Petition of the Salem Methodist Church, Derwent.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the County Council of Victoria; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Verulam; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Bexley; also, the Petition of Victoria Sunday School, Fenelon Township; also, the Petition of Mount Horeb League, Clavering.

By Mr. Devitt, the Petition of the Eldad Sunday School, Solina.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of the Town Council of Gravenhurst; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Oakley; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Draper; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Ryde; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Chaffey; also the Petition of the Township Council of Brunel; also, the Petition of the W C. T. U.; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Gravenhurst; also, the Petition of the Board of Managers of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, all of Sparrow Lake.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Epworth League, Bethel; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, St. Mary's; also, the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School, Fullarton.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of the Town Council of Cornwall.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of the Town Council of Sault Ste. Marie.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Town Council of Trenton.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of Ashburn Council, R. T. of T.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Port Hope; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Millbrook.

By Mr. Tudhope, the Petition of James Playfair, and others, of Midland.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School, Creemore; also, the Petition of the S. O. T., Angus; also, the Petition of the

Official Board of the Methodist Church, Avening; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Thompsonville; also, the Petition of the Wesley Methodist Sunday School, Nantyr.

By Mr. Galna, the Petition of the Temperance Lodge, McKellar; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, South River.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Chatsworth; also, the Petition of Fountain Council, No. 146, R. T. of T., Flesherton; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Durham; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Massie; also, the Petition of the Zion Epworth League, Glenelg.

By Mr. Lennox, the Petition of the Town Council of Aurora.

By Mr. Nixon, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Georgetown.

By Mr. Preston (Lanark), the Petition of the B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist Church, Almonte.

By Mr. McDougal, the Petition of the Young Peoples' Society of the French Baptist Church, Ottawa.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Aikens Church Sunday School, Sidney Crossing.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of the Sunday School, Cairngorm.

By Mr. Musgrove, the Petition of the Sunday School, Bluevale; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Auburn.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of the Bethel Epworth League, Humberstone.

By Mr. McCormack, the Petition of Zion Epworth League, Warwick; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Ravenswood; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Thedford; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Oil City.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of the Young Peoples' Society of the First Baptist Church, Sault Ste. Marie.

By Mr. Dargavel, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, South Lake; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Gananoque.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Inglewood; also, the Petition of St. Paul's Young Men's Bible Class, Brampton.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of the Sunday School, Curries Crossing.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of the East Oakwood Sunday School.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board, Rednersville.

By Mr. Clarke (Northumberland), the Petition of the Canborne Circuit of the Methodist Church, Plainville.

By Mr. Whitesides, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Don Mills.

By Mr. Pearce, the Petition of the Township Council of Bangor; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Rawdon.

By Mr. Lennox, the Petition of the Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Church, Newmarket.

By Mr. Downey, the Petition of G. D. Hastings, and others, of Guelph; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Arthur; also, the Petition of the Sunday School of the Evangelical Church, Morriston.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Markham.

By Mr. Torrance, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Atwood.

By Mr. Grigg, the Petition of the Township Council of St. Joseph.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of Euclid Council, No. 480; also, the Petition of the Parkdale Council, No. 11, R. T. of T., all of Toronto.

By Mr. Fripp, the Petition of the King's Daughters, Ottawa.

By Mr. Brewster, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Walkerton.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of William B. Deacon, and others, of Belleville, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Belleville Radial Railway Company.

Of the City Council of London, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By-laws; to amend the Water Works Act; to authorize the submission of a By-law to the people, and for other purposes.

Of the Ontario West Shore Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the Company, and to declare valid a certain contract with the Maitland River Power Company, Limited.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Act, respecting the Auditing of Accounts by the Provincial Municipal Auditor.

Of the County Council of Essex; also, of the County Council of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham, severally praying that it be made illegal to run Motor Vehicles on highways on Sunday, and at least one other day of the week.

Of the County Council of Essex, praying for certain amendments to the law respecting the use by non-resident owners of Motor Vehicles.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying for certain amendments to the Good Roads Improvement Act.

Of the County Council of Kent; also, of William J. Vaughan, and others, of Stewart; also, of C. B. Shaw, and others, of Kent Bridge; also, of J. H. Alexander, and others, of Ridgetown; also, of W. J. Kearns, and others, of Fletcher; also, of James H. McKerrall, and others, of Appledore; also, of Peter Milne, and others, of North Buxton; also, of Ewart C. McEachran, and others, of Louisville; also, of Peter Ennett, and others, of Turnerville; also, of Neil Watson, and others, of Mull, severally praying for certain amendments to the Pharmacy Act.

Of the County Council of Kent; also, of the Township Council of Tilbury Centre; also, of the Municipality of Shuniah; also, of the Town Council of Fort Frances; also, of the Town Council of Cornwall; also, of the Township Council of Cambridge; also, of the Township Council of Canboro', severally praying for the repeal of Section 606, of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for non-repair of Highways.

Of the Methodist Sunday School, Winchester; also, of the Ladies' Aid of the Emerald Street Church; also, of the Central W. C. T. U.; also, of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church; also, of the Quarterly Board of the Emerald Street Church; also, of the Epworth League of the Emerald Street Church, all of Hamilton; also, of the W. C. T. U., Brigden; also, of the Baptist Church, Plympton; also, of the Epworth League, Ruscourt; also, of the Prohibition Alliance, Centre Grey; also, of the Westminster Guild, Wick; also of St. Andrew's Sabbath School, Souga; also, of the I. O. G. T.; also, of the Beach Avenue Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Western W. C. T. U.; also, of Victoria Lodge, No. 19, I. O. G. T.; also, of the North Star Council, No. 28, R. T. of T.; also, of the Broadway Epworth League, all of Toronto; also, of the Sunday School, Coe Hill; also of the Baptist Church. Almonte; also, of the W. C. T. U., Fort William; also, of Excelsior Council, No 48, R. T. of T., Bowmanville; also, of the Epworth League, Blackstock; also of the Division of Temperance, Motherwell; also, of the S. O. T.; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Greenfell; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, East Korah; also, of the W. C. T. U., Schreiber; also, of the St. Andrew's Church, Beachburg; also, of the Methodist Church, Lockely; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Fordwich; also, of the Methodist Bible Class, Parry Sound; also, of the Adult Bible Class, Morriston; also, of the

Presbyterian Church, Springville; also, of Knox Presbyterian Church, Leamington; also of the Citizen's League, Clinton; also, of the Epworth League, Oil City; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Petrolea; also of the Methodist Church, Aultsville; also, of Knox Church Session, Cornwall; also, of Charles Street Methodist Church, Ingersoll; also, of the W. C. T. U., Tillsonburg; also, of the Baptist Church, Zora; also, of the Methodist Church, Kintore; also, of the Methodist Church, Don Mills; also, of the Epworth League, Orchard; also of the Methodist Sunday School, Massie; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Simcoe; also, of the Epworth League, Cannifton; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Methodist Church, all of St. George; also, of the Ladies' Aid Society; also, of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church, all of Tapleytown; also, of the Presbyterian Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Manotic; also, of the Sunday School, Williamstown; also, of the Baptist Church, Picton, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting Majority rule.

Mr. Hoyle, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

The Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions, and find the notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of the Town Council of Dundas, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the floating debt, and to authorize the issue of debentures.

Of the Farrar Transportation Company, praying that an Act may pass to confirm and declare valid the Company's Bond issued to an aggregate amount of $135,000, and the Mortgage and Deed of Trust securing same.

Of the Municipality of Dysart, and others, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain Agreement entered into between the Municipality, the Canadian Land and Immigration Company, and others.

Of the Municipality of Neebing, praying that an Act may pass to validate and confirm all Assessment, Collector's and other Rolls in respect of any land sold for taxes prior to the 31st December, 1906, and all Deeds given in pursuance thereof.

Of the Rideau Club, Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass amending Act of Incorporation, and to authorize the issue of Mortgage Debentures to an amount not exceeding $250,000, and for other purposes.

Of the Rector and Churchwardens of St. John's Church, Ancaster, praying that an Act may pass to convert into a cemetery, and to vest in them certain properties of the Rectory lands in the Village of Ancaster in Trust.

Of Charles M. Willard, and others, of Winchester, praying that an Act may pass to amend the Act incorporating the Morrisburg Electric Railway Company, and to authorize the extension of the line.

Of C. S. Cossett, and others, of Brockville, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Eastern Ontario Counties Electric Belt Line Railway Company.

Of Edward C. Rendell, of Mobile, U.S.A., and others, by their Solicitor, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Eastern Ontario Electric Railway Company.

Of Frank William Coolbaugh, and others, of Philadelphia, U.S.A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Cobourg, Peterborough and Kawartha Lakes Electric Railway Company.

Of the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church, Barrie, praying that an Act may pass to close the Old Burial Ground known as the Eugenia Street Burial Ground; to empower the removal of the dead; to vest the land in the Board, and to ratify and confirm the sale thereof.

Of the National Trust Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass declaratory of the powers of Trustees under the marriage settlement of Robert Woods Prittie and Jane Prittie, and authorizing Jane Prittie to make absolute disposition of part of the property subject to the Trusts of the settlement.

Of the City Council of Chatham, praying that an Act may pass to revive and confirm By-law No. 815, respecting loan of $50,000 to the Chatham, Wallaceburg and Lake Erie Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passing of a By-law for the appropriation and payment of the sum of $10,000 each year for forty years, to the benefit fund of the Police; to provide for the creation of an Audit Department; to authoize the annexation of the City of West Toronto; granting the City the exclusive right to sell hay and other fodder at the City Cattle Market and for other purposes.

Of William Alfred Bugg, and others, of Wellandport, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the People's Railway Company.

Of G. R. Smith, and others, of Wellandport, praying that and Act may pass to enable the Dunnville, Wellandport and Beamsville Electric Railway Company to extend the line from Beamsville to Jordan Harbour.

The Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of Your Honourable House be suspended in this, that the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills to Your Honourable House be extended until and inclusive of Friday the 12th day of March next; and that the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Friday the 19th day of March next.

Ordered, That the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Friday the Twelfth day of March next, and that the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Friday the Nineteenth day of March next.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 11), intituled "An Act respecting the Floating Debt of the Town of Dundas." Mr. Wilson.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 16), intituled "An Act respecting the Farrar Transportation Company, Limited." Mr. Thompson (Simcoe.)

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 15), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Cobourg, Peterborough and Kawartha Lakes Electric Railway Company." Mr. Nesbitt.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 6), intituled "An Act to vest certain lands in the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church, of the Town of Barrie, and to enable them to sell the same." Mr. Thompson (Simcoe.)

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 3), intituled "An Act respecting the Marriage Settlement of Robert Woods Prittie and Jane Prittie. Mr. Godfrey.

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 2), intituled "An Act to confirm an Agreement between the Municipality of Dysart, the Canadian Land and Immigration Company of Haliburton, Limited, and others." Mr. Carnegie.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 1), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Eastern Ontario Electric Railway Company." Mr. Nesbitt.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 7), intituled "An Act respecting St. John's Church, Ancaster. Mr. Reed (Wentworth.)

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 19), intituled "An Act respecting the Municipality of Neebing." Mr. Smellie.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 29), intituled "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Morrisburg Electric Railway Company." Mr. Ferguson (Grenville.)

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 14), intituled "An Act respecting the Rideau Club." Mr. Fripp.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 36), intituled "An Act respecting the Dunnville, Wellandport and Beamsville Electric Railway Company." Mr. Ross (Monck.)

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 8), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Peoples Railway Company." Mr. Ross (Monck.)

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 113), intituled "An Act to amend the Separate Schools Act." Mr. Racine.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 114), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Insurance Act." Mr. Brewster.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 115), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. McNaught.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 116), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. MacKay (Grey.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 117), intituled "An Act to prevent the spread of Pulmonary and other forms of Tuberculosis." Mr. Downey.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 60), Respecting Arbitration and References, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had ordered him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 95) Respecting Execution, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Downey reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 65), Respecting the Provisional County of Haliburton, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 68), Respecting the Publication of Official Notices, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Public Accounts of the Province, for the year ending 31st December, 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 1.*)

Also—Report of the Commissioners for the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 5.*)

Also—Report of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Commission, for the year ending 31st December, 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 8.*)

Also—Report of the Board of Governors of the University of Toronto, for the year ending 30th June, 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 13.*)

Also—Reports of the Live Stock Associations of the Province, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 22.*)

Also—Report of the Women's Institutes of the Province, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 24.*)

Also—Report of the Farmers' Institutes of the Province, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 25.*)

Also—Report of the Agricultural Societies of the Province, and the Convention of the Ontario Association of Fairs and Exhibitions, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 26.*)

Also—Report on the operation of the Liquor License Acts in Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 44.*)

Also—Copies of Orders in Council passed since the last Session of the Legislature under Section 27 of the Department of Education Act. (*Sessional Papers No. 52.*)

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of the Province, for the year 1908, be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The House then adjourned at 4.05 p.m.

Monday, 1st March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Courtright.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of St. Paul's Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of St. Paul's Methodist Church, all of St. Catharines; also, the Petition of the Young Peoples' Alliance; also, the Petition of the Evangelical School; also, the Petition of the Evangelical Church; also, the Petition of the Crown Bible Class, all of Campden; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Grantham; also, the Petition of the Congregation and Sabbath School, Homer; also, the Petition of the Congregation and Sabbath School, Louth.

By Mr. McNaught, the Petition of Thomas Bales Coombs, and others, of Toronto.

By Mr. Torrance, the Petition of C. N. Greenwood, and others; also, the Petition of the Central Methodist Church, all of Stratford; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Board, Kelvin Circuit.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Markham.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition A. B. C. Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Millbrook; also, the Petition of the Zion Methodist Church, Hope.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Epworth League, St. Mary's; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Fullarton.

By Mr. Bradburn, the Petition of the Mark Street Epworth League, Peterborough; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Bridgeworth.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Society of Friends, Wellington; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Albury.

By Mr. Whitesides, the Petition of the Men's Bible Class of the Woodgreen Methodist Church, Toronto.

By Mr. Wilson, the Petition of the Sunday School, Mount View; also, the Petition of the Sunday School of the Baptist Church, Monck; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Harriston.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Mono Mills; also, the Petition of the Central Methodist Church, Toronto Gore Township; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of St. Paul's Church, Brampton.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of the First Baptist Church; also, the Petition of the First Baptist Sunday School, all of Sault Ste. Marie.

By Mr. Mackay (Oxford), the Petition of the Zora Society of Evan Association, Oxford County; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School, Thamesford.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of Peter Wallace, and others, of Blind River, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Blind River Colonization Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Midland, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a By-law for an extension of two years within which the Canada Iron Corporation, Limited, is to erect and complete a new furnace within the Town.

Of the Town Council of Owen Sound, praying that an Act may pass exempting from taxation, except for local improvement, certain property of the Owen Sound Young Men's Christian Association.

Of the Stratford and St. Joseph Radial Railway Company praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for commencement and completion of the road.

Of the Toronto Suburban Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for commencement and completion of the several lines heretofore authorized to be constructed and to authorize the running of cars on Sunday.

Of the Ontario Inter-Urban Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for commencement and completion of the line.

Of C. C. Hahn, and others; also, of the Breithaupt Leather Company, Limited, all of Berlin, severally praying that the Act to incorporate the Peoples' Railway Company may pass.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying for certain amendments to the law respecting the use, by non-resident owners, of Motor Vehicles.

Of Herbert Lee, and others, of Highgate; also, of Hiram McLarty, and others, of Selton; also, of William A. Shaw, and others, of Tilbury; also, of Edward H. Foxton, and others, of Glenwood; also, of Albert Metcalfe, and others, of Renwick; also, of G. D. Ferguson, and others, of Clearville; also, of William Robertson, and others, of Eberts; also, of James Goulet, and others, of Ouvry; also, of S. S. Gilhula, and others; also, of B. G. Brock, and others, all of Buxton; also, of Robert Leaver, and others, of Palmyra, severally praying for certain amendments to the Pharmacy Act.

Of the Township Council of Vaughan; also, of the Village Council of Weston; also, of the Township Council of Billings; also, of the Township Council of North Dumfries; also, of the Town Council of Galt; also, of the Township Council of Wilmot; also, of the Township Council of Waterloo; also, of the Village Council of Ayr; also, of the Township Council of Alnwick; also, of the Township Council of Oakland, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of municipalities for non-repair of highways.

Of the Sunday School, Playfair; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Stayner; also, of Maple Street Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League of the Maple Street Methodist Church; also, of the Friendship Bible Class, of the Maple Street Methodist Church, all of Collingwood; also, of No. 8 Club, of the Dundas Street Church, also, of St. Andrews Church; also, of Council No. 397, R. T. of T.; also, of the Temperance League; also, of the W.C.T.U.; also, of St. Andrews Sunday School; also, of the Adult Bible Class of the Dundas Street Methodist Church, all of London; also, of the Epworth League, Clavering; also, of the Canadian Temperance League; also, of the W.C.T.U.; also, of the Willard Creighton W.C.T.U.; also, of the Beech Avenue Methodist Bible Class, all of Toronto; also, of the Methodist Church, Wick; also, of St. Andrews Church, Sonya; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Wick; also, of the Evangelical Sunday School, Hespeler; also, of the Epworth League, Galt; also, of the Epworth League, Wardsville; also, of the Guthrie Presbyterian Church; also, of the Guthrie Sabbath School, all of Melbourne; also, of the Methodist Epworth League, Shanly; also, of the Epworth League, Inglewood; also, of the Epworth League, Alton; also, of St. Pauls Church; also, of the W.C.T.U.,

all of Brampton; also, of the Women's Mission Circle, Fullarton; also, of the Methodist Church, St. Marys; also, of the Sabbath School, Arden; also, of Lodge No. 387, I.O.G.T., Wolftoun; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Elginburg; also, of Zion Tabernacle Sunday School; also, of the Emerald Street Methodist Church, all of Hamilton; also, of St. Paul's Methodist Church, St. Catharines; also, of the W.C.T.U., Campden; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Grimsby; also, of the Social and Literary Circle of the Methodist Church, Niagara-on-the-Lake; also, of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Smithville; also, of the Sunday School, West Flamboro'; also, of the Methodist Church, Barton; also, of the Baptist Church, Monck; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Drew; also, of the Council R. T. of T.; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Palmerston; also of the Baptist Church, Renfrew; also, of the Eastern Methodist Church; also, of Goodwill Lodge, I.O.G.T., all of Ottawa; also, of District Lodge No. 1, I.O.G.T., of Carleton; also, of the Baptist Church, Listowel; also, of the Ministerial Association, Aldborough; also, of the Baptist Church, Iona Station; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Middlemarch; also, of the Sunday School, Rodney; also, of the Wesley Methodist Sunday School, Clinton; also, of the Epworth League, Simcoe; also, of the Baptist Sunday School, Almonte; also, of the Methodist Church, Myrtle; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Kinsale; also, of the Sunday School, Prince Albert; also, of the Methodist Church, Mulmur; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, Primrose; also, of the Presbyterian Congregation, Westmeath; also, of the Royal Templar Council; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Georgetown; also, of the Baptist Sabbath School, Walkerton; also, of the W.C.T.U., Frankford; also, of the Hephzibah Congregation, Williamstown; also, of the Epworth League, Auburn; also, of the Salem Methodist Sunday School, Derwent; also, of the Fair Mount Sabbath School, Cavan; also, of the R. T. of T., West Toronto; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Lambton Mills; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Newtonbrook; also, of the Methodist Church, Kleinburg; also, of the Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 496, East Korah; also, of the Iron River Sunday School, McDonald; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Cadmus; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Orono; also, of the French Baptist Sunday School, Ottawa; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Centre Epworth League, all of Rednersville; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Parry Sound; also, of the Adult Bible Class, McKellar; also, of the Sunday School, South River; also, of the Young People's Guild; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Avonmore; also, of the Young People's Society, Cornwall; also, of the Methodist Sunday School. Aultsville; also, of the Epworth League, Allanburg; also, of Kirby's School, Chuté a Bloudeau; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Camborne; also, of the Epworth League, Thamesville; also, of the Methodist Church, Louisville; also, of the W.C.T.U.; also, of the Baptist Church; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Sudbury; also, of the Sun-

day School, Harley; also, of the Epworth League, Norwood; also, of the Epworth League, Don Mills; also, of the Men's Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Church, Markham; also, of the Baptist Church, Ingersoll; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Tillsonburg; also, of the Council of R. T. of T., Norwich; also, of the Baptist Sunday School, Jerseyville; also, of the W.C.T.U., Ingersoll; also, of the Baptist Church, Tavistock, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 40), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Eastern Ontario Counties Electric Belt Line Railway Company." Mr. Fripp.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 41), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Toronto." Mr. Shaw.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 49), intituled "An Act to confirm By-Laws No. 815 and No. 150 of the City of Chatham." Mr. Sulman.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 81), intituled "An Act respecting Actions for Libel and Slander." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To morrow.

Bill (No. 119), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Torrance.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 120), intituled "An Act to amend the Unorganized Territory Act." Mr. Hearst.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The House then adjourned at 3.35 p.m.

Tuesday, 2nd March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Haddo; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Vancamp Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, South Mountain.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Ashbury Methodist Sunday School, Perth; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Congregation, Bathurst; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, Prospect.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of the Woodgreen Methodist Sunday School, Toronto.

By Mr. Reaume, the Petition of the Methodist Epworth League, Windsor; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Maidstone.

By Mr. Hendrie, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Hamilton.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the First Methodist Church, all of Owen Sound; also, the Petition of the Church Class, Johnstown; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, North Derby; also, the Petition of the Erskine Presbyterian Church, Meaford.

By Mr. Devitt, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Caesarea; also, the Petition of Division No. 40, S. O. T., Solina; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Blackstock.

By Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Epworth League, Dalston; also, the Petition of the Teachers, Barrie.

By Mr. Nixon, the Petition of the Township Council of Nelson; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Ashgrove; also, the Petition of the Congregational Church, Georgetown; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Acton; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Palermo.

By Mr. Clark (Bruce), the Petition of the Epworth League, Paisley.

By Mr. Pratt, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Carmel Methodist School; also, the Petition of the Carmel Methodist Church, all of Fairground; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Houghton Centre.

By Mr. Preston (Lanark), the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Sunshine Y. W. C. T. U., all of Carleton Place.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of the Niagara Peninsular Railway Company; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Welland.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of the Zion Methodist Church, Hope Township.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Epworth League, Beaverton.

By Mr. Neely, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School, Maple Grove.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, North Parkdale.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Fullarton.

By Mr. Studholme, the Petition of the Somerset Y. W. C. T. U., Hamilton.

By Mr. Bradburn, the Petition of the George Street Epworth League, Peterborough.

By Mr. Tudhope, the Petition of the Township Council of Tay; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church; also, the Petition of the R. T. of T.; also, the Petition of the S. O. T.; all of Orillia; also, the Petition of Wesley Sunday School, Eady; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Coldwater; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Hillsdale; also, the Petition of the R. T. of T., Vasey.

By Mr. Lackner, the Petition of the Woman's Missionary Society, Berlin; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Waterloo; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Heidleburg; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, St. Jacobs.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., all of Creemore; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Holly; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Victoria Harbour; also, the Petition of the S. O. T. Lodge No. 315, Ivy; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Thornton.

By Mr. Downey, the Petition of the Reverend Canon Henderson; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., all of Guelph; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Salem; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Cremnock; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Arthur.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Sunday School, Zealand; also, the Petition of the Zion Methodist Sunday School, Pittsburg; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Kepler; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Plevna; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Glenvale; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Mountain View; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of E. L. C. E. Methodist Church, all of Verona; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Sydenham.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of Robert Hall, and others; also, the Petition of Walter Mattice, all of Ridgetown; also, the Petition of William G.

Taylor, and others, of Morpeth; also, the Petition of L. Galbraith, and others, of Harwich; also, the Petition of John Henderson, and others, of Dover Centre; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Highgate; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Thamesville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Kent's Bridge; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Ridgetown; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Louisville.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of St. Andrew's Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Young Peoples' Society of St. Andrew's Church, all of Stirling; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Frankford; also, the Petition of the Free Methodist Sabbath School, Marmora; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School, Marsh Hill; also, the Petition of Roses Methodist Church, Sidney; also, the Petition of the King Street Junior Epworth League, Trenton.

By Mr. Dargavel, the Petition of the Willing Circle of the King's Daughters, Gananoque; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Lyndhurst; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Long Point.

By Mr. Reid (Renfrew), the Petition of the Methodist Church, Forester's Falls; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Pembroke.

By Mr. Donovan, Two Petitions of the County Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville; also, the Petition of the Town Council of Brockville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Athens.

By Mr. Torrance, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Atwood; also, the Petition of the Lingelbach's Sunday School, North East Hope.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of the Session of the Gordon Presbyterian Church, St. Elmo.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of the Methodist Epworth League, all of Teeswater; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Dobbinton.

By Mr. Anderson, the Petition of the Young Men's Class; also, the Petition of the Wesley Church Sunday School, all of Amherstburg; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Leamington.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of Knox Church Sunday School; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., all of Cornwall; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of the Presby-

terian Church, all of Avonmore; also, the Petition of the Epworth League. Lunenburg; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Newington; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Northfield; also, the Petition of the Union Sabbath School, Mille Roches; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Aultsville.

By Mr, Ferguson (Grenville), the Petition of the Junior Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Official Board, all of Shanly; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Cardinal; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of the Y. W. C. T. U., all of Prescott; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Bishop's Mills; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Augusta.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of the Township Council of Howland; also the Petition of the Union Society, Sault Ste. Marie; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Portlock; also, the Petition of the Sabbath School, St. Andrew's Church, Silverwater; also, the Petition of the S. O. T., Sheguandah; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Richards Landing; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Marksville; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Tehkummah; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Sault Ste. Marie.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, Five Petitions of the Ontario Municipal Association; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Board of the Grace Street Methodist Church, St. Thomas; also, the Petition of the Royal Templars, Dutton; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Middlemarch.

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Sunday School, Whittington; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Redickville; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Grand Valley.

By Mr. Fisher, the Petition of Lingelbach's Society Evangelical Association, Shakespeare; also, the Petition of the Women's Missionary Society, Oakland; also, the Petition of the Brotherhood of the Methodist Church, Southampton.

By Mr. Musgrove, the Petition of the Official Board; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Fordwich; also, the Petition of the Hullet Township Evangelical Society, Blyth.

By Mr. McEwing, the Petition of the Methodist Church Board of Officers, Teviotdale.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the Methodist Church Official Board; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Aylmer; also, the Petition of Bible

Class No. 1 ; also, the Bible Class No. 3 of the Sunday School, all of Avon ; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Sparta ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Copenhagen ; also, the Petition of the Bible Class of the Methodist Sunday School, Vienna ; also, the Petition of the Sabbath School, Luton ; also, the Petition of the Sabbath Sunday School, North Dorchester.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Main Street Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Senior Epworth League of the Main Street Methodist Church, all of Picton ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Northport ; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Bloomfield ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Drumquin ; also, the Petition of the Bible Class ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Bethel.

By Mr. Galna, the Petition of the Sunday School, McKellar ; also, the Petition of the Bible Class, South River ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Magnetawan.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Norwich ; also, the Petition of the Prohibition Association, South Oxford.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Moral and Social Reform League, Madoc ; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Lime Lake ; also, the Petition of the Valley Methodist Sunday Sehool, Chapman.

By Mr. Whitesides, the Petition of the Men's Association of the Knight Methodist Church, Toronto.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of F. Rankin, and others, of Kent ; also, the Petition of the Bible Class, Wheally ; also, the Petition of St. Andrew's Church, Raleigh ; also, the Petition of the Sabbath School, Glenwood.

By. Mr. Pharand, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Vankleek Hill.

By Mr. Mackay (Oxford), the Petition of the Epworth League, Princeton ; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Thamesford ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Bright ; also, the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School, Tavistock.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Delaware ; also, the Petition of the Glen Oak Epworth League, Caradoc ; also, the Petition of the Literary Society, Melbourne.

By Mr. Reed (Wentworth), the Petition of the Baptist Church ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League Society, all of Jerseyville.

By Mr. Brewster, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, Onondaga ; also, the Petition of the Baptist Young People's Union, Walkerton ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League Society, Elmwood.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of the Epworth League ; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, all of Fenelon Falls.

By Mr. Thompson (Peterborough), the Petition of the Wideman School House, Asphodel ; also, the Petition of the Session of the Presbyterian Church ; also, the Petition of the Teachers and Officers of the Presbyterian Church, all of Lakefield.

By Mr. McGarry, the Petition of the Men's Bible Class, Renfrew ; also, the Petition of the Good Templars, Burnstown ; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Congregation, Matawatchan ; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Arnprior ; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Lochwinnoch.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Petition of the Methodist Church, Kerwood ; also, the Petition of the Mount Zion Methodist Church, Adelaide ; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Parkhill ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Kerwood ; also, the Petition of the Congregation and Sunday Schools, Whalen.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Town Council of Aurora, praying that an Act may pass authorizing an issue of debentures to meet the floating debt of the municipality.

Of the Town Council of Cornwall, praying that an Act may pass to validate debentures issued under By-law No. 22, of the year 1906, and By-law No. 8, of 1907, granting a bonus of $20,000 to the Modern Bedstead Company, Limited.

Of the Town Council of Sault Ste. Marie, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain by-law granting aid to John O'Boyle in the construction of a dry dock in the town.

Of Thomas Joseph Foster, and others, of Richards' Landing, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Sault Ste. Marie and St. Joseph's Island Railway Company.

Of James Playfair, and others, of Midland, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Simcoe Electric Railway and Power Company.

Of the Town Council of Trenton, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the issue of debentures in aid of the development of power on the River Trent within the limits of the Town and to guarantee bonds for that purpose.

Of the Upper Canada Bible Society and the Upper Canada Religious Tract Society, praying that an Act may pass to enlarge the powers of the Societies under a bond given to the late Jesse Ketchum in connection with the conveyance by him to the Societies of certain lands on Yonge Street.

Of G. D. Hastings, and others, of Guelph, praying that the Act to incorporate the People's Railway may pass.

Of the County Council of Victoria, praying that it be made illegal to run motor vehicles on highways on Sunday and at least one other day of the week.

Of the Township Council of Rawdon; also, of the Township Council of Bangor; also, of the Town Council of Gravenhurst; also, of the Township Council of Oakley; also, of the Township Council of Draper; also, of the Township Council of Ryde; also, of the Township Council of Chaffey; also, of the Township Council of Brunel; also, of the Township Council of Bexley; also, of the Township Council of Verulam; also, of the Township Council of St. Josephs, severally praying for the repeal of section 606 of The Municipal Act, respecting the liability of municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of the Methodist Church, Inkerman; also, of the Epworth League, Playfair; also, of the Epworth League, Walkerville; also, of the Baptist Church, Sarnia Township; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, Point Edward; also, of the Gordon Union W.C.T.U.; also, of the Parkdale Council, No. 11, R. T. of T.; also, of the Euclid Council, No. 480, R. T. of T., all of Toronto; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Don Mills; also, of the Epworth League, Thornbury; also, of the B.Y.P.U. of the Baptist Church, Almonte; also, of the W.C.T.U.; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Gravenhurst: also, of the Board of Managers of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church; also, of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, all of Sparrow Lake: also, of the Presbyterian Sabbath School, Wick; also, of the Good Templars Lodge, Rama; also, of the Methodist Church, also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Georgetown; also of Victoria Sunday School, Fenelon Township; also, of Mount Horeb League, Clavering; also, of the Salem Methodist Church, Derwent; also, of the Eldad Sunday School, Solina; also, of the R. T. of T. Council, Ashburn; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Port Hope; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Millbrook; also, of the Baptist Sunday School, Fullarton; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, St. Mary's; also, of the Wesley Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Sunday School, Thompsonville; also, of the Methodist Church,

Avening; also, of the S.O.T., Angus; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School, Creemore; also, of the Temperance Lodge, McKellar; also, of the Young People's Society of the French Baptist Church; also, of the King's Daughters, all of Ottawa; also, of the Aikins Sunday School, Sidney Crossing; also, of the Sunday School, Cairngorm; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Auburn; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Bluevale; also, of the Bethel Epworth League, Humberstone; also, of the Sunday School, Oil City; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Thedford; also, of the Methodist Church, Ravenswood; also, of the Zion Epworth League, Warwick; also, of the Young People's Society of the Baptist Church, Sault Ste Marie; also, of the Sunday School, Gananoque; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, South Lake; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Inglewood; also, of the St. Paul's Young Men's Bible Class, Brampton; also, of the Sunday School, Currie's Crossing; also, of the East Oakwood Sunday School, Mariposa; also, of the Cambourne Methodist Church, Plainville; also, of the Epworth League, South River; also, of the Quarterly Official Board, Rednersville; also, of the W.C.T.U., Chatsworth; also, of Fountain Council, No. 146, R. T. of T., Flesherton; also, of the Epworth League, Durham; also, of the Methodist Church, Massie; also of Zion Epworth League, Glenelg; also, of the Men's Own Bible Class, Newmarket; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Arthur; also, of the Sunday School, Morriston; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Markham; also, of the Baptist Church, Atwood; also, of the Baptist Church, Walkerton, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Hoyle, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the notices as published in each case sufficient :—

Of James George Guise Bagley, of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario to admit him to practice as a Barrister and Solicitor.

Of the Merchants Fire Insurance Company, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 35, providing for reduction of Capital Stock and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Kenora, praying that an Act may pass to increase the rate of interest from 5 to 5½ *per cent.* on the debentures to the amount of $200,000 authorized by By-laws Numbers 388 and 396, and for other purposes.

Of the Township Council of Springer, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law providing for the borrowing of $3,500 to liquidate floating debt.

Of the Town Council of Sturgeon Falls, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 245, providing for the borrowing of $20,000.

Of William B. Deacon, and others, of Belleville, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Belleville Radial Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Collingwood, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain agreement with the Imperial Steel and Wire Company ; to amend 3 Ed. VII, Cap 46, and to ratify and confirm a certain agreement with the Collingwood Ship Building Company.

Of the County Council of Middlesex, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the Debenture debt of the County and authorizing the issue of Debentures to the extent of $486,260.

Of the National Trust Company, Limited, praying that an Act may pass authorizing and enabling the Company to sell or otherwise dispose of all the Estate and effects of Mary Lowell, deceased, and directing the application of the proceeds and income thereof.

Of the Town Council of Bruce Mines, and Albert Downing, M.D., of Bruce Mines, praying that an Act may pass to consolidate the Funds known as the "Mutual Relief and Hospital Fund of the Copper Mining and Smelting Company of Ontario, Limited," and to place said funds under the Control and management of trustees.

Mr. Hoyle, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

Your Committee have carefully examined the Petition of the Canadian Casualty and Boiler Insurance Company, praying that an Act may pass to reduce the Capital Stock of the Company, and find that notice of the proposed application to this Legislature has been published for a period of six weeks, as required by the Rules of Your Honourable House, in the "Ontario Gazette" and in the "Toronto World."

Your Committee also find, that whilst the notice is for "an Act reducing the Capital Stock of the said Company," the Petition adds "and relieving your petitioner from any liability for unpaid premium on subscribed stock." Your Committee are of the opinion that these latter words should also have appeared in the notice, and therefore recommend that the attention of the Private Bills Committee be directed to this matter, so, when the Bill, founded on this Petition, comes before the Committee for consideration, no greater or further powers may be allowed therein than those covered by the notice as aforesaid.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 20), intituled "An Act to authorize the Supreme Court of Judicature, for Ontario, to admit James George Guise Bagley to practice as a Barrister and Solicitor." Mr. Carrick.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 34), intituled "An Act respecting the Merchants Fire Insurance Company." Mr. McPherson.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 35), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Kenora." Mr. Machin.

Referred to the Committe on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 9), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 251 of the Township of Springer." Mr. Aubin.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 10), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 245 of the Town of Sturgeon Falls." Mr. Aubin.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 51), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Belleville Radial Railway Company. Mr. Johnson.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 4), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Collingwood." Mr. Thompson (Simcoe.)

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 13), intituled "An Act to consolidate the Debenture Debt of the County of Middlesex." Mr. Neely.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 5), intituled "An Act authorizing the National Trust Company, Limited, to sell or otherwise dispose of the Estate and effects of Mary Lowell, deceased." Mr Fraser.

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 24), intituled "An Act respecting the Mutual Relief and Hospital Fund of the Bruce Copper Mines, Limited, and the Hospital Fund of the Copper Mining and Smelting Company of Ontario, Limited." Mr. Grigg.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 32), intituled "An Act respecting the Canadian Casualty and Boiler Insurance Company." Mr. Ferguson (Grenville.)

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 121), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Preston (Durham.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 122), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 123), intituled "An Act to provide Compensation for Injuries to *Employes.* Mr. Fraser.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 124), intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for Development of Water Power at Dog Lake." Mr. Reaume.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 125), intituled "An Act to amend the Audit Act." Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Sir James Whitney delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

J. M. GIBSON.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909, and to complete the services of the Province for the year 1908; and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Toronto, March 2nd, 1909.

(*Sessional Papers No. 2*)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 84), Respecting Ferries, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 101), To amend the Forest Reserve Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 109), To amend the Judicature Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 106), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Pearce be added to the Railway Committee in place of Mr. Nickle, and that the name of Mr. Nickle be added to the Public Accounts Committee in place of Mr. Pearce.

The House then adjourned at 4.25 p.m.

Wednesday, 3rd March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the Bible Class of the Methodist Church, South Mountain.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Toronto.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the Sunday School, Prospect.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of the Simpson Avenue Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the King Street Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Wesley Young Men's Bible Class of the Woodgreen Tabernacle, all of Toronto.

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Epworth League, Sarnia.

By Mr. Cochrane, the Petition of the Township Council of Hagar.

By Mr. Devitt, the Petition of the Women's Missionary Society, Caesarea

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Epworth League, Buttonville.

By Mr. Torrance, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Atwood.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Haynes Avenue Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of the Haynes Avenue Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Queen Street Baptist Church; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., all of St. Catharines.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Epworth League, Sydenham; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, Verona.

By Mr. Studholme, the Petition of the Quarterly Board, Zion Tabernacle, Hamilton.

By Mr. Mackay (Oxford), the Petition of John G. McBeath, and others, of Woodstock; also, the Petition of A. E. Ratz, and others, of Tavistock; also, the Petition of M. E. Dewar, and others, of Bright; also, the Petition of the Plattsville Milling Company.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Epworth League, Deseronto; also, the Petition of the Chapman Valley Adult Bible Class, Magetawan; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Corbeyville.

By Mr. Dargavel, the Petition of the Men's Bible Class, Lyndhurst; also, the Petition of the Melissa Sabbath School, Chaffey.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of the Methodist Church, Canton; also, the Petition of Zion Methodist Sunday School, Brock; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Elizabethville.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of the Queen City Council, R. T. of T., Toronto.

By Mr. Shillington, the Petition of the Township Council of Hudson.

By Mr. Galna, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Commanda.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all

of Pickering; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Cherrywood; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Oshawa; also, the Petition of Division No. 338, S. O. T., Scugog.

By Mr. Whitesides, the Petition of the Simpson Avenue Adult Bible Class, Toronto.

By Mr. Shaw, the Petition of the Excelsior Lodge, No. 66, I. O. G. T., Toronto.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Free Methodist Sabbath School, Marmora; also, the Petition of the King Street Sunday School, Trenton; also, the Petition of Zion Methodist Church, Murry.

By Mr. Fisher, the Petition of Council No. 21 of the R. T. of T., Oakland.

By Mr. Neely, the Petition of the S. O. T. Division, Maple Grove; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Arva.

By Mr. Gooderham, the Petition of the Queen Street East League, Toronto.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Holstein; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Mulock; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Durham; also, the Petition of the Sharon Methodist Church, Marmion; also, the Petition of the Kirk Session, Chalmers Presbyterian Church, Heady; also, the Petition of the Centenary Methodist Church, Arran Township.

By Mr. McElroy, the Petition of the Township Council of Nepean; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Diamond, Fitzroy; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, North Gower; also, the Petition of the Members of the Presbyterian Church, Torbolton; also, the Petition of the Session of the Presbyterian Congregation, Fallowfield; also, the Petition of the Session of St. Andrew's Church, Richmond.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of L. O. L. 294, all of Bethel; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Wellington; also, the Petition of Main Street Sunday School, Picton.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Petition of the Methodist Church, Parkhill.

By Mr. Godfrey, the Petition of the Zion Methodist Church, Bracondale; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Stirton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Willowdale; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Elia; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Richmond Hill; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., West Toronto.

By Mr. McCormack, the Petition of Kennedy's Methodist Church; also, the Petition of Kennedy's Sunday School, all of Bosanquet; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church; also, the Petition of the Baptist Young People's Union;

also, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board, all of Arkona; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Forest; also, the Petition of the Citizen's League; also the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Thedford.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Sunday School, Fullarton.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Christian Endeavour, Little Britain; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Woodville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Lebanon.

By Mr. Wilson, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Dundas.

By Mr. Fripp, the Petition of the Rosemount Avenue Epworth League, Ottawa.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Bracebridge; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Madills; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Sunday School, all of Aspdin; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Utterson; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Huntsville.

By Mr. Nesbitt, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Friendly Young Men's Class; also, the Petition of the Berean Bible Class, all of Castleton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Meyersburg; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Wooler; also, the Petition of Truth Council, No. 202, R. T. of T., Campbellford; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also the Petition of the Sunday School, all of Stockdale; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Dundonald; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Hilton.

By Mr. Craig, three Petitions of the County Council of Wellington; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Palmerston; also, the Petition of the R. T. of T., Mount Forest.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of the Township Council of Saugeen; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Bruce; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Hepworth; also the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the R. T. of T.; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation; also, the Petition of the Citizen's Temperance Society; also, the Petition of the W.C.T.U., all of Southampton; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Glammis; also, the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, Allenford; also, the Petition of the Moral and Social Reform Council,

Tara; also, the Petition of Mount Hope Sunday School, Glanford; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Tiverton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, all of Lions Head; also, the Petition of the Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Men's Bible Class, all of Mount Hope; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Millarton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Allenford.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of Thomas Bales Coombs, and others, of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to vest in the Salvation Army, when incorporated, all the property, real and personal, in the Province held in the name of any person, or persons, for, or in trust, for the Army.

Of C. N. Greenwood, and others, of Stratford, praying that the Act to incorporate the People's Railway may pass.

Of the Methodist Sunday School, Courtright; also, of the St. Paul Street Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League of St. Paul Street Methodist Church, all of St. Catharines; also, of the Young People's Alliance; also, of the Evangelical Sunday School; also, of the Evangelical Church; also, of the Crown Bible Class, all of Campden; also, of the Epworth League and Sabbath School, Grantham; also, of the Congregation and Sabbath School, Homer Church; also, of the Congregation and Sabbath School, Louth Church; also, of the Central Methodist Sunday School, Stratford; also, of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church, Kelvin; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Markham; also, of the A. B. C. Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Millbrook; also of Zion Methodist Church, Hope; also, of the Epworth League, St. Mary's; also, of the Baptist Church, Fullarton; also, of the Mark Street Epworth League, Peterborough; also, of the Adult Bible Class; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Circuit Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Bridgenorth; also, of the West Lake Society of Friends, Wellington; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Albury; also, of the Men's Bible Class of the Woodgreen Methodist Church, Toronto; also, of the Sunday School, Mount View; also, of the Baptist Sunday School, Monck; also, of the Epworth League, Harriston; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Mono Mills, also, of the Central Methodist Church, Toronto Gore; also, of the Epworth League of St. Paul's Church, Brampton; also, of the First Baptist Church; also, of the First Baptist Sunday School, all of Sault Ste. Marie; also, of the Zora Society of Evan Association, Oxford County; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School, Thamesford, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 127), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Pearce.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 128), intituled "An Act for the better Administration of Justice; to lessen the number of Appeals and the Costs of Litigation, and for other purposes." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

On motion of Mr. Stock, seconded by Mr. Ross (Middlesex.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing:—1. The name of all the Collegiate Institutes, High Schools and Continuation Classes in the Province. 2. Which of these schools were classed 'Approved," in the Academic year, July, 1907, to July, 1908. 3. The change (if any) made in the classification of each such school since July 1st, 1908, to date. 4. The reasons for such change in classification.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), seconded by Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing:—1. The number of Public School Inspectors in the organized Counties of Ontario. 2. Number of Schools under Inspector. 3. The amount of money paid to such Inspectors. 4. The amount of money paid by the County as acquired by the Act. 5. Total amount of expenses paid by the Counties. 6. Average amount of salary and expenses paid each Inspector by both County and Government.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 81), Respecting Actions for Libel and Slander.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 102), To amend the Pharmacy Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 103), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 105), To amend the Act respecting Division Courts.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

The House then adjourned at 4.45 p.m.

Thursday, 4th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the Bible Class, South Mountain.

By Mr. Duff, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Swastika Division of S. O. T., No. 208; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of New Lowell; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Maple Valley.

By Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Barrie.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Glasgow.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of the Union Sunday School, Heathcote.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of the Epworth League, Sheguindah; also, the Petition of the Temperance and Moral Reform Committee; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of Christian Endeavour, all of Sault Ste. Marie.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of the Methodist Bible Class, Huntsville; also, the Petition of St. John's Presbyterian Church, Port Stanley.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, Fenelon Falls; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Cambray; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Carden; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Dalrymple.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the Sunday School, Vienna; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Young Ladies' Bible Class, all of Luton.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Epworth League, Crow Lake; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School, Sydenham; also, the Petition of the Township Council, Kingston.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Epworth League, Fullarton.

By Mr. Wilson, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Stoney Creek.

By. Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Village Council of Tweed; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Chapman Valley; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Holloway.

By Mr. Devitt, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Caesarea.

By Mr. Nixon, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Congregational Church, all of Acton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Palermo.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of the Ladies' Aid Society, Mount Pleasant.

By Mr. Torrance, the Petition of the Epworth League, Atwood.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of the Township Council of Usborne; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Goderich; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Tuckersmith; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Elimville; also, the Petition of Bethany Congregation, Thames Road; also, the Petition of Division No. 312, S. O. T., Brucefield; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Chiselhurst; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Seaforth.

By Mr. McNaught, the Petition of St. Paul's Epworth League, Toronto.

By Mr. Gooderham, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class of the Queen Street Methodist Church, Toronto.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of the "Pride of the West" Lodge, Toronto.

By Mr. Clarke (Northumberland), the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Centreton; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Cobourg.

By Mr. Neely, the Petition of the Congregation, Maple Grove.

By Mr. Reid (Renfrew), the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board, all of Beachburg.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Christian Church Sabbath School, Little Britain; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Powles Corners.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the Town Council of Walkerton; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Whitechurch; also, the Petition of the Clark Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Ripley; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Eden Grove; also, the Petition of the Temperance Society, Teeswater; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Chesley.

By Mr. McCormick, the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Petition of the Baptist Church, Parkhill.

By Mr. Sulman, two Petitions of the County Council of Kent; also the Petition of the Township Council of Dover; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Wheatley.

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Bognor; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Sabbath School, Laurel.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Sand Hill; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Caledon; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Alton.

By Mr. Mackay (Oxford), the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Innerkip.

By Mr. Musgrove, the Petition of the Sabbath School, Bluevale; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Crewe.

By Mr. McDougal, the Petition of the French Baptist Church, Ottawa.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Epworth League, Millford; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Bethel; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Church, Picton; also, the Petition of the Friends Sabbath School, Wellington.

By Mr. Macdiarmid, the Petition of the Trustee Board of Grace Church, St. Thomas.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of the Presbyterian Congregation, Aultsville; also, the Petition of the Parsonage Board; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Newington; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, Lunenburg.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of the River Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Delaware.

By Mr. Brewster, the Petition of the Sunday School Board, Onondaga.

By Mr. Craig, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Mount Forest.

By Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Pittston; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Grenville; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Carley; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Prescott.

By Mr. Pattinson, the Petition of the Evangelical Church; also, the Petition of the Young People's Alliance, all of Hespeler; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, Preston.

By Mr. Paul, the Petition of the Sunday School, Centreville.

By Mr. Kohler, the Petition of the Sabbath School ; also, the Petition of the W.C.T.U., all of Dunnville.

By Mr. McGarry, the Petition of the Moral Reform and Temperance Society, Ashdod ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Quarterly Official Board, all of Arnprior ; also, the Petition of the Castleford Lodge, I. O. G. T., Lochwinnoch.

By Mr. Thompson (Peterborough), the Petition of the Epworth League, Norwood ; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, South Dummer ; also, the Petition of the Trent Bridge Sunday School, Havelock.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Niagara Peninsular Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to empower the Company to survey, lay out, construct and operate a branch line to a point at or near the City of St. Catharines and to increase the Capital stock to $200,000.

Of F. Rankin and others of Kent, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act, respecting the exemption of Farm Buildings.

Of the Ontario Municipal Association, praying for certain amendments to the Manhood Franchise Act.

Of the Ontario Municipal Association, praying for certain amendments to the Electric Railway Act, so as to permit Street Cars to be run on Sunday.

Of the Ontario Municipal Association, praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting agents in other Municipalities.

Of the Ontario Municipal Association, praying that Municipalities be relieved from liability for damages, caused by the placing of poles, wires, rails, pipes or conduits, over, upon or under highways.

Of the Ontario Municipal Association, praying that no power be given now, or hereafter, to individual partnerships or Corporations to place poles, wires, rails, pipes or conduits over, upon or under highways, without the consent of the Council of the Municipality.

Of Robert Hall and others; also, of Walter Mattice and others, all of Ridgetown; also, of William G. Taylor and others, of Morpeth; also, of L. Galbraith and others of Harwich; also, of John Henderson and others of Dover Centre, severally praying for certain amendments to the Pharmacy Act.

Of the Township Council of Medonte; also, of the Township Council of Nelson; also, of the Town Council of Brockville, severally praying for

the repeal of section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of Highways.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, praying that it be made illegal to run Motor Vehicles on highways on Sunday and at least one other day of the week.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, praying for certain amendments to the Good Roads Improvement Act.

Of the Methodist Sunday School, South Mountain; also, of the Trustee Board VanCamp Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Haddo; also, of the Ashbury Methodist Sunday School, Perth; also, of the Presbyterian Congregation, Bathurst; also, of the Adult Bible Class, Prospect; also, of the Woodgreen Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Men's Association of the King Street Methodist Church; also, of the Official Board of the North Parkdale Methodist Church, all of Toronto; also, of the Epworth League, Windsor; also, of the Epworth League, Maidstone; also, of the W.C.T.U., Hamilton; also, of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Owen Sound; also, of the Church Class, Johnstown; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, North Derby; also, of the Erskine Presbyterian Church, Meaford; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, of the Carmel Methodist School; also, of the Carmel Methodist Church, all of Fair Ground; also, of the Sunday School, Houghton Centre; also, of the Teachers, Barrie; also, of the Epworth League, Dalston; also, of the Epworth League, Paisley; also, of the Methodist Church, Caesarea; also of Division No. 40, S.O.T., Solina; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Blackstock; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Ashgrove; also, of the Congregational Church, Georgetown; also, of the Methodist Church, Acton; also, of the Epworth League, Palermo; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, of the Sunshine Y.W.C.T.U., all of Carleton Place; also, of the Epworth League, Beaverton; also, of the Methodist Church, Fullarton; also, of the George Street Epworth League, Peterborough; also, of the Somerset Y.W.C.T.U., Hamilton; also, of the Maple Grove Methodist Sabbath School, South Darlington; also, of the W.C.T.U., Welland; also, of the Zion Methodist Church, Hope Township; also of the Baptist Church; also, of the Royal Templars; also, of the S.O.T., all of Orillia; also, of the Wesley Church Sunday School, Eady; also, of the Epworth League, Coldwater; also, of the Methodist Church, Hillsdale; also of the Royal Templars, Vasey; also, of the Woman's Missionary Society, Berlin; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Waterloo; also, of the Sunday School, Heidleburg; also, of the Sunday School, St. Jacobs; also, of Canon A. Henderson; also, of the W.C.T.U., all of Guelph; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Salem; also, of the Methodist Church, Cremnock; also, of the Epworth League,

Arthur; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the W.C.T.U., all of Creemore; also, of the Epworth League, Holly; also, of the W.C.T.U., Victoria Harbour; also, of the S.O.T. Lodge No. 315, Ivy; also, of the Epworth League, Thornton; also, of the Sunday School, Zealand; also, of the Officers and Members of the Zion Methodist Sunday School, Pillsburgh; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Kepler; also of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Plevna; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Glenvale; also, of the Epworth League, Mountain Grove; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the E.L.C.E. Methodist Church, all of Verona; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Sydenham; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Highgate; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Church; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Thamesville; also, of the Methodist Church, Kent Bridge; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Ridgetown; also, of the Methodist Church, Louisville; also, of the W.C.T.U.; also, of the Methodist Epworth League, all of Teeswater; also, of the Methodist Church, Dobbinton; also, of the Session of the Gordon Presbyterian Church, St. Elmo; also, of the Methodist Church, Atwood; also, of the Lingelbach's Sunday School, North East Hope; also, of St. Andrews Sabbath School; also, of the Young People's Society St. Andrew's Church, all of Stirling; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Frankford; also, of the Free Methodist Sabbath School, Marmora Township; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School, Marsh Hill; also, of the Roses Methodist Church, Sidney; also, of the King Street Junior Epworth League, Trenton; also, of the Willing Circle of the King's Daughters, Gananoque; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Lyndhurst; also, of the Methodist Church, Long Point; also, of the Methodist Church, Forester's Falls; also, of the W.C.T.U., Pembroke; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also of the Whatsoever Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Church, all of Athens; also, of the Young Men's Class; also, of the Wesley Church Sunday School, all of Amherstburg; also, of the Epworth League, Leamington; also, of Knox Church; also, of the W. C.T.U., all of Cornwall; also, of the W.C.T.U.; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Presbyterian Sunday School, all of Avonmore; also, of the Epworth League, Lunenburg; also, of the Methodist Church, Newington; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Northfield; also, of the Union Sabbath School, Mille Roche; also, of the Methodist Church, Aultsville; also, of the Epworth Junior League; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Official Board, all of Shanly; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Cardinal; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the W.C.T.U.; also, of the Y.W.C.T.U., all of Prescott; also, of the Methodist Congregation; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Bishop's Mills; also, of the Methodist Church, Augusta; also, of the Township Council of Howland; also, of the W.C.T.U.; also, of the Union Society, all of Sault Ste. Marie; also, of the Methodist Sunday School,

Portlock; also, the Sabbath School of St. Andrews Church, Silver Water; also, of the Division S.O.T., Sheguiandah; also, of the Methodist Church, Richard's Landing; also, of the Methodist Church, Marksville; also, of the Epworth League, Sehkummah; also, of the Quarterly Board of Grace Methodist Church, St. Thomas; also, of the Royal Templars, Dutton; also, of the Epworth League, Middle March; also, of the Epworth League, Redickville; also, of the Methodist Epworth League, Grand Valley; also, of the Sunday School, Whittington; also, of the Lingelbach's Society Evangelical Association, Shakespeare; also, of the Woman's Missionary Society, Oakland; also, of the Brotherhood of the Methodist Church, Southampton; also, of the Official Board; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Fordwich; also, of the Hullet Township Evangelical Association, Blyth; also, of the Methodist Church Board of Officers, Teviotdale; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Delaware; also, of the Glen Oak Epworth League, Caradoc; also, of the Literary Society, Melbourne; also, of the Moral and Social Reform League, Madoc; also, of the Sunday School, Lime Lake; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Chapman Valley; Also, of the Methodist Church Official Board; also, of the Epworth League, all of Aylmer; also, of the Bible Class No. 1; also, of the Bible Class No. 3, all of Avon; also, of the Official Board and Trustees of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Sparta; also, of the Epworth League, Copenhagen; also, of the Bible Class of the Methodist Sunday School, Vienna; also, of the Sabbath School, Luton; also, of the Sabbath School, North Dorchester; also, of the Main Street Methodist Church; also, the Senior Epworth League of the Main Street Methodist Church, all of Picton; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Northport; also, of the Sunday School, Bloomfield; also, of the Epworth League, Drumquin; also, of the Bible Class; also, of the Epworth League, Bethel; also, of the Sunday School, McKellar; also, of the Bible Class, South River; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Magnetawan; also, of the Baptist Church, Norwich; also, of the Prohibition Association, South Oxford; also, of the Baptist Church, Vankleek Hill; also, of the Bible Class, Wheatley Circuit; also, of St. Andrews Church, Raleigh; also, of the Sabbath School, Glenwood; also, of the Baptist Church; also, of the Epworth League Society, all of Jerseyville; also, of the Epworth League, Princeton; also, of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League, all of Thamesford; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Bright; also, of the Baptist Sunday School, Tavistock; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, Onondaga; also, of the Baptist Young Peoples Union, Walkerton; also, of the Epworth League Society, Elmwood; also, of the Wildman School House, Asphodel; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church; also, of the Teachers and Officers of the Presbyterian Sunday School, all of Lakefield; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, all of Fenelon Falls; also, of the Men's

Bible Class, Renfrew; also, of the Good Templars, Burnstown; also, of the Presbyterian Congregation, Malawatchan; also, of the W.C.T.U., Arnprior; also, of the Sunday School, Lochninnoch; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Kerwood; also, of Mount Zion Methodist Church, Adelaide Township; also, of the W.C.T.U., Parkhill; also, of the Congregation and Sunday School, Whalen, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Hendrie, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively.

Bill (No. 1), To incorporate the Eastern Ontario Electric Railway, and

Bill (No. 36), Respecting the Dunnville, Wellandport and Beamsville Electric Railway Company.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 16), Respecting the Farrar Transportation Company, Limited; Bill (No. 14), Respecting the Rideau Club, and Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Municipality of Neebing, and report the same without amendments.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 129), intituled "An Act respecting Embalmers." Mr. Ferguson (Grenville.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 130), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Water Works Act." Mr. Fox.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 131), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Schools Act." Mr. Craig.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the House again to resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read.

Mr. Matheson moved,

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House do again resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

And a Debate having ensued, it was, on motion of Mr. Tudhope,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Bureau of Labour *(Sessional Papers No. 30.)*

The House then adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

Friday, 5th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Commissioners of Estate Bills, their Report in the following case :—

Bill (No. 7), Respecting St. John's Church, Ancaster.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned, two of the Commissioners of Estate Bills, have had under consideration Bill (No. 7), "An Act respecting St. John's Church, Ancaster," and the Petition therefor, and have the honour to report as follows :—

They suggest, that in order to quiet the Title to the parcel of land described in the instrument of conveyance bearing date the 25th of January, 1909, between the Lord Bishop of Quebec of the one part, and the Lord Bishop of Niagara of the other part, and to effectually vest the same in the Lord Bishop of Niagara and his successors, it is desirable to provide therefor by the Bill now under consideration

If this view should be adopted, the undersigned suggest that the Preamble be amended in the manner shown, and that an additional section be enacted as Section No. 1 of the Bill, in the words, or to the effect shown in the draft section submitted herewith.

The undersigned have also drafted certain amendments to the sections now printed in the Bill, and submit the same for consideration.

The undersigned are of opinion, that presuming the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Bill to be proved to the satisfaction of Your Honourable House, it is reasonable that the same, with the suggested additions, should pass into law, and that with the said additions the provisions of the Bill are sufficient for carrying its purposes into effect.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Dated at Osgoode Hall this 4th day of March, 1909.

CHARLES MOSS, C.J.O.
W. R. MEREDITH, C.J.C.P.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 7), Respecting St. John's Church, Ancaster, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estate Bills thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of the Queen Street Methodist Sunday School, Toronto

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the County Council of Lanark.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the West Street Epworth League, Owen Sound; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, all of Johnstown; also, the Petition of the Christian Endeavour Society; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., all of Meaford; also, the Petition of the Union Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Hoath's Head.

By Mr. Carrick, the Petition of the City Council of Port Arthur.

By Mr. Brewster, the Petition of the City Council of Brantford.

By Mr. Fripp, the Petition of the City Council of Ottawa.

By Mr. Devitt, the Petition of the Young Peoples' Society, Darlington.

By Mr. Nesbitt, the Petition of the Sharon Sunday School, Salem.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Epworth League, Edgley.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of the Village Council of Port Elgin.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Holly; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Elmville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Allandale; also, the Petition of the Division S. O. T., No. 284, Painswick.

By Mr. Downey, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, all of Shiloh; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Salem.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Huntsville; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Guild, Port Stanley.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Mission Band; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Swinton Park; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Congregation, Priceville; also, the Petition of Victoria Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Ravenna; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, Fair Mount; also, the Petition of the S. O. T., Heathcote.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of the Sunday School, Salem.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the First Methodist Sunday School, Picton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Bethel: also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Albury.

By Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), the Petition of the Epworth League, Prescott; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Pittston; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Carley's Corners; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Maynard; also, the Petition of the Trustees of the Methodist Church, Cardinal.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Young People's Society, Deseronto.

By Mr. Godfrey, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Lambton Mills; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Newtonbrook; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Downsview; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Fairbank.

By Mr. Proudfoot, the Petition of the Society of the Evangelical Association, Benmiller; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Londesboro'; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Preston.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Aultsville; also, the Petition of the Official Board, Newington.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of John G. McBeath and others of Woodstock; also, of A. E. Ratz and others of Tavistock; also, of M. C. Dewar and others of Bright; also, of the Plattsville Milling Company, severally praying that the Act to incorporate the People's Railway may pass.

Of the County Council of Wellington, praying that County Councils be given power to pass By-laws granting permission and regulating the erection of telephone, telegraph and electric light poles on roads owned by the County.

Of the County Council of Wellington, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Act, to provide that County Councils be given power to appoint Police Commissioners.

Of the County Council of Wellington, praying that it be made illegal to run Motor Vehicles on highways on Sunday and at least one other day of the week.

Of the Township Council of Hagar; also, of the Township Council of Hudson; also, of the Township Council of Nepean; also, of the Township Council of Saugeen; also, of the Township Council of Bruce; also, of the Village Council of Hepworth, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of the Senior Bible Class of the Methodist Church, South Mountain; also, of the Sunday School, Prospect; also, of the Epworth League, Sarnia; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Simpson Avenue Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Official Board of the King Street Methodist Church; also, of the Wesley Young Men's Bible Class of the Woodgreen Tabernacle; also, of the Queen Street East League, also, of the Simpson Avenue Adult Bible Class; also, of the Excelsior Lodge No. 66, I.O.G.T.; also, of the Queen City Council R.T. of T., all of Toronto; also of the Woman's Missionary Society, Caesarea; also, of the Epworth League, Buttonville; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Atwood; also, of the Epworth League, Sydenham; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, Verona; also, of the Haynes Avenue Presbyterian Church; also, of the Haynes Avenue Sabbath School; also, of the Queen Street Baptist Church; also, of the W.C.T.U., all of St. Catherines; also, of the Quarterly Board Zion Tabernacle, Hamilton; also, of the Epworth League, Deseronto; also, of the Adult Bible Class, Chapman Valley; also, of the Epworth League, Corbyville; also, of the Men's Bible Class, Lyndhurst; also, of the Melissa Sabbath School, Chaffey; also, of the Methodist Church, Canton; also, of the Zion Methodist Sunday School, Brock; also, of the Methodist Church, Elizabethville; also, of the Methodist Church, Commanda; also,

of the Methodist Sabbath School, Marmora; also, of the King Street Methodist Sunday School, Trenton; also, of Zion Methodist Church, Murray; also, of the Council No. 21, R.T. of T., Oakland; also, of the Division S.O. T., Maple Grove; also, of the Epworth League, Arva; also, of the Christian Endeavour, Little Britain; also, of the Sunday School, Woodville; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Lebanon; also, of the Sunday School, Fullarton; also, of the Methodist Church, Parkhill; also, of the Sunday School; also, of the L.O.L. No. 294, all of Bethel; also, of the Methodist Church, Wellington; also, of the Main Street Sunday School, Picton; also, of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Pickering; also, of the Epworth League, Cherrywood; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Oshawa; also, of the Division No. 338, of the S.O.T., Scugog; also, of the Zion Methodist Church, Bracondale; also, of the Epworth League, Stirton; also, of the Methodist Church, Willowdale; also, of the Elia Methodist Congregation, York Township; also, of the W.C.T.U., Richmond Hill; also, of the W.C.T.U., West Toronto; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Diamond Filzroy; also, of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, North Gower; also, of the Presbyterian Church; Torbolton; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Congregation, Fallowfield; also, of the Session of St. Andrews Church, Richmond; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Kennedy's Sunday School, all of Bosanquet; also, of the Baptist Church; also, of the Baptist Young People's Union; also, of the Quarterly Official Board, all of Arkona; also, of the W.C.T.U., Forest; also, of the Citizens League; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Thedford; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Holstein; also, of the Baptist Church, Mulock; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Durham; also, of the Sharon Methodist Church, Marmora; also, of the Kirk Session of the Chalmers Presbyterian Church, Heady; also, of the Centenary Methodist Church, Arran; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Bracebridge; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Madills; also, of the Presbyterian Church; also, of the Presbyterian Sunday School, all of Aspdin; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Utterson; also, of the Methodist Church, also, of the W.C.T.U.; also, of the Epworth League, all of Huntsville; also, of the W.C.T.U., Dundas; also, of the Rosemount Avenue Epworth League, Ottawa; also, of the W.C.T.U.; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, of the Friendly Young Men's Class; also, of the Berean Bible Class, all of Castleton; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Meyersburg; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Wooler; also, of the Truth Council No. 202 R.T. of T., Campellford; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Sunday School, all of Stockdale; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Dundonald; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Hilton; also, of the W.C.T.U., Palmerston; also, of the R.T. of T., Mount Forest; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the R.T. of T.;

also, of the Methodist Congregation; also, of the Citizens Temperance Society; of the W.C.T.U., all of Southampton; also, of the Epworth League, Glammis; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Millarton; also, of the Men's Bible Class; also, of the Bible Class, all of Mount Hope's; also, of the Presbyterian Church; also, of the Presbyterian Sunday School; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Lions Head; also, of the Epworth League, Tiverton; also, of the Mount Hope Sunday School, Glanford; also, of the Moral and Social Reform Council, Tara; also, of the Quarterly Official Board; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Allenford, praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 134), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Craig.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 135), intituled "An Act respecting the Acquisition of Land for School Purposes." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 136), intituled "An Act respecting Boards of Education." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 137), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Police Magistrates" Mr. Nickle.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), seconded by Mr. Stock,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return, shewing:—1. How many licenses to operate motor vehicles in the Province were granted during the year 1908. 2. How many of these were granted to non-residents and how many to residents of this Province. 3. Were special Constables appointed by the Provincial Government to inforce the Motor Vehicle Law. If so, how many. 4. What expense in regard to their services or otherwise was undertaken by the Government in that regard. 5. How many convictions were made for breaches of the law. 6. How many were through the efforts of said Constables, if any. 7. What was the nature of the offences, and what number of convictions were secured under each. 8. What number of these convictions were against non-residents.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 114), To amend the Ontario Insurance Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 115), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 116), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 127), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 16), Respecting the Farrar Transportation Company, Limited.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 14), Respecting the Rideau Club.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Municipality of Neebing.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 1), To incorporate the Eastern Ontario Electric Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 36), Respecting the Dunnville, Wellandport and Beamsville Electric Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 124), To amend the Act to provide for Development of Water Power at Dog Lake.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned at 3.45 p.m.

Monday, 8th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Reaume, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, all of South Woodslee.

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Courtright.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Managing Board of the Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, all of Brown's Corners.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Garden City Council, No. 567; also, the Petition of the Niagara Street Epworth League, all of St. Catharines; also, the Petition of the Prohibition Union, Beamsville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Ladies' Aid; all of Queenston; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of St. Davids.

By. Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the R. T. of T. also, the Petition of the Ladies' Auxiliary; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; all of Lindsay.

By Mr. Studholme, the Petition of the Epworth League, Hamilton.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation; also, the Petition of the R. T. of T., all of Queensboro'; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Haggard's Corners; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Harts; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, all of Deseronto.

By Mr. Nesbitt, the Petition of the Epworth League; also the Petition of the Circuit, all of Salem.

By Mr. Shillington, the Petition of the Township Council of Bucke.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Stamford.

By Mr. Devitt, the Petition of the Congregation of Ebenezer Church, Darlington.

By Mr. Craig, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Belwood; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Bethel.

By Mr. Reed (Wentworth), the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Sabbath School, all of Elfrida; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Trinity; also, the Petition of the Case Church, Glanford; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Tapleytown; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church Sunday School, Winona; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Waterdown.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Salem Sunday School, Ameliasburg; also, the Petition of Council No. 81, R. T. of T., Picton.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Palgrave; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Huttonville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Malton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Goldstone.

By Mr. Preston (Rainy River), the Petition of the Baptist Church, Schreiber ; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Dorion ; also, the Petition of the R. T. of T., Port Arthur ; also, the Petition of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church, Fort William.

By Mr. Mackay (Oxford), the Petition of the Young Peoples' Guild of the Presbyterian Church, Innerkip.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Ladies' Aid also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Pickering ; also, the Petition of the Head Sunday School, Scugog ; also, the Petition of the S. O. T. Division ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Greenbank ; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Prince Albert.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the City Council of Brantford, praying that an Act may pass to enable the Corporation to use the property known as the "Waterous old Property," for City Hall or as a Market Square ; to sell and dispose of the same, to ratify and confirm certain By-laws, and for other purposes.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the borrowing, upon an issue of Debentures, of a sufficient sum to liquidate outstanding debts of the Central Canada Exhibition Association ; to authorize the conveyance of certain lands to the Ottawa Electric Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Of the City Council of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to confirm issue of Bond by the Railway, Marine and General Hospital ; to ratify and confirm By-law No. 231 and certain other By-laws ; to empower the operation of Street Railway, and for other purposes.

Of the Village Council of Port Elgin, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain Debentures issued by the Corporation under By-law No. 482.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act, so as to exempt farm buildings from taxation.

Of the County Council of Kent, praying for certain amendments to the Act for the Improvement of Public Highways.

Of the Village Council, Tweed ; also, of the Township Council of Kingston ; also, of the Township Council of Usborne ; also, of the Township Council of Goderich ; also, of the Township Council of Dover ; also, of the Township Council of Tuckersmith ; also, of the Town Council of Walkerton, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of the Bible Class, South Mountain; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Swastika Division, S. O. T., No. 208; also, of the Methodist Church, all of New Lowell; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Maple Valley; also, of St. Paul's Epworth League; also, of the Adult Bible Class of the Queen Street Methodist Church; also, of the "Pride of the West" Lodge, all of Toronto; also, of the Epworth League, Sheguindah; also, of the Temperance and Moral Reform Council; also, of the Epworth League, all of Sault Ste. Marie; also, of St. John's Presbyterian Church, Port Stanley; also, of the Methodist Bible Class, Huntsville; also, of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League, Cambray; also, of the Township Council of Carden; also, of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Dalrymple; also, of the W. C. T. U., Barrie; also, of the Union Sunday School, Heathcote; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Glasgow; also, of the Epworth League, Atwood; also, of the Ladies' Aid Society, Mount Pleasant; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Congregational Church, all of Acton; also, of the Methodist Church, Palermo; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Caesarea; also, of the Epworth League, Chapman Valley; also, of the Epworth League, Holloway; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Stoney Creek; also, of the Epworth League, Fullarton; also, of the Epworth League, Crow Lake; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School, Sydenham; also, of the Sunday School, Vienna; also, of the Adult Bible Class; also, of the Young Ladies' Bible Class, all of Luton; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Elimville; also, of the Congregation and Sunday School, Thames Road; also, of the Division No. 312, S. O. T., Brucefield; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Chiselhurst; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Seaforth; also, of the Baptist Church, Parkhill; also, of the Baptist Sunday School; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Arkona; also, of the Sunday School, Wheatley; also, of the Methodist Church, Bognor; also, of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Laurel; also, of the Sand Hill Methodist Sunday School, Thornbury; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Caledon; also, of the Methodist Church, Alton; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Innerkip, also, of the Sabbath School, Bluevale; also, of the Sunday School, Crewe; also, of the French Baptist Church, Ottawa; also, of the Epworth League, Milford; also, of the Epworth League, Bethel; also, of the Adult Bible Class, Picton; also, of the Friends' Sabbath School, Wellington; also, of the Trustee Board, Grace Church, St. Thomas; also, of the Presbyterian Congregation, Aultsville; also, of the Parsonage Board; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Newington; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, Luxemburg; also, of the River Sunday School; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Delaware; also, of the Sunday School Board, Onondaga; also, of the Baptist Church, Mount Forest; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Pittston; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Grenville; also, of the Sunday School, Carley; also, of the Methodist Church, Prescott; also, of the Evangelical Church; also, of the Young People's Alliance, all of Hespeler; also, of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church, Preston; also, of

the Sabbath School of the Evangelical Church; also, of the W. C. T. U., all of Dunnville; also, of the Epworth League, Norwood; also, of the Sunday School, South Dummer; also, of the Kent Bridge Sunday School, Havelock; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Centreton; also, of the Baptist Church, Cobourg; also, of the Congregation, Maple Grove; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Quarterly Official Board, all of Beachburg; also, of the Christian Church Sabbath School, Little Britain; also, of the Epworth League, Powles Corners; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Whitechurch; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League, all of Ripley; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Eden Grove; also, of the Temperance Society, Teeswater; also, of the W. C. T. U., Chesley; also, of the Sunday School, Centreville; also, of the Moral Reform and Temperance Society, Ashdod; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Methodist Quarterly Official Board, all of Arnprior; also, of the Castleford Lodge, I. O. G. T., Lochwinnoch, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 139), intitutled "An Act respecting the Ontario Veterinary College." Mr. Duff.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 140), intituled "An Act respecting Stationary Engineers." Mr. Duff.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Lucas, seconded by Mr. Carnegie.

Ordered, That the reference to the Standing Committee on Private Bills of Bill (No. 24), An Act respecting the Mutual Relief and Hospital Fund of the Bruce Copper Mines, Limited, and the Hospital Fund of the Copper Mining and Smelting Company of Ontario, Limited, on Tuesday, the second day of March instant, be discharged and that instead thereof the Bill be first referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills for their consideration and report.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 16), Respecting the Farrar Transportation Company, Limited, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Carnegie reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. MacKay (Grey), asked the following Question :—

How much of the amount received for (*a*) timber bonuses, (*b*) timber dues, (*c*) ground rents, in the year 1908, were arrears due and properly payable in 1907.

To which the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines replied in the figures following :—

(*a*) *Nil.* (*b*) $391,950.05. (*c*) $1,594.22.

On motion of Mr. MacKay (Grey), seconded by Mr Reed (Wentworth.)

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, a Return shewing:—1. When a branch or sub-department of Forestry was established under the Government of Ontario. 2. The names and duties of all officials and employees of the said branch or sub-department in each year since and including the year 1905. 3. Name of any and all officials of the Government of Ontario whose duty it is to deal with forest conservation or re-forestation or either of them, together with a copy of the Orders-in-Council appointing said officials and copies of regulations defining their duties. 4. A statement in detail of the lands that have been set aside as forest reserves since the beginning of the year 1905, giving the location and acreage of each. 5. A statement in detail of the lands set aside for re-forestation since the beginning of the year 1905, giving the location and acreage of each.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 104), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 119), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 121), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 107), To amend the Municipal Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. MacKay (Grey),

That, whereas the following letter from the Secretary of the Board of Governors of the University of Toronto, dated 19th June, 1908, enclosing the

application to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council and hereinafter set out, has been received by the Prime Minister of the Province :—

Toronto, 19th June, 1908.

The Honourable J. P. Whitney, LL.D., Prime Minister of the Province of Ontario.

SIR :—I have the honour to state, that at a meeting of the Board of Governors held on Thursday, the 11th instant, the following Resolution was adopted upon motion of the Chancellor :—

Resolved, That steps be taken to apply for the privileges of the Carnegie Foundation, for the staff of the University of Toronto and University College.

In pursuance of this Resolution, I am directed by the Board to transmit to you the accompanying application to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, to which is attached a copy of the resolution.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
F. A. MOURE,
Secretary to the Board of Governors.

June 17th, 1908.

To His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

May it please your Honour :—

Owing to the additional gift of five million dollars made last spring by the founder to the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, it has been possible to offer the advantages of the fund to State and Provincial Universities. The President of the Foundation has informed the Governors of the University of Toronto, that without question the University of Toronto will be accepted on the list of institutions made eligible to the benefits of the Foundation by the recent gift of Mr. Carnegie.

The process by which this shall be carried on is that "application for such admission should be made by the governing board of the University, approved by the Governor of the Province, and later on this shall be approved by the Provincial Legislature."

At a meeting of the Board of Governors held on Thursday, June 11th, it was resolved to make application to have the University of Toronto placed upon the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching in order that the Professors of the University of Toronto may secure the advantage of retirement made possible through this Foundation. In accordance with the above conditions the next step is to secure for this action of the Governors the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council; and the resolution of the

Board of Governors is herewith transmitted to your Honour in the hope that you may be willing to approve of this action and to secure its ratification by the Legislature of the Province.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN HOSKIN,

Chairman of the Board of Governors.

And whereas His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has approved of the purpose of the said application as shown by an Order-in-Council, passed on the fifth day of March, 1909, therefore it is

Resolved, That the said application to place the staff of the University of Toronto and University College on the list of institutions eligible to the benefits of the Foundation by the recent gift of Mr. Andrew Carnegie, be and the same is hereby approved by this House.

The House then adjourned at 4.15 p.m.

Tuesday, 9th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Commissioners of Estate Bills, their Report in the following case:—

Bill (No. 5), Authorizing the National Trust Company, Limited, to sell, or otherwise dispose of, the Estate and effects of Mary Lowell, deceased.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

We have taken into consideration the Petition and proposed Bill in respect to the Estate of Mary Lowell, (Bill No. 5.)

It seems to be the intention of the testatrix that her niece, Mary Lowell Willox, shall have, on attaining the age of twenty-three years, the land and the household furniture, etc. Until that time she desires the same to be preserved "as carefully as possible,"—not, be it remarked, as it was in her own lifetime. No reason appears why it may not have been the strongest wish of the testatrix that her niece should have this property; a wish in priority to any other considerations whatsoever. It would be to interfere with the express directions of

the testatrix and to make a new Will for her to pass this Bill—a course to be deprecated, if at all possible. We do not think that it is reasonable that this Bill should become law.

GLENHOLME FALCONBRIDGE, C.J.K.B.
WILLIAM RENWICK RIDDELL, J.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the Epworth League, Iroquois.

By Mr. McNaught, the Petition of the Busy People's Bible Class of the Yonge Street Methodist Church, Toronto.

By Mr. Clark (Bruce), the Petition of the Township Council of Elderslie.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Y. M. B. C.; also, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Uxbridge; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Zephyr; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, Sunderland; also, the Petition of the Oxford Council of R. T. of T., Woodstock.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of the Sunday School, Manvers.

By Mr. Pattinson, the Petition of N. S. Kreig, and others, of Waterloo.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Township Council of York; also, the Petition of the Sabbath School, Brown's Corners.

By Mr. Nixon, the Petition of the Sheridan Epworth League, Cooksville; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Kilbride.

By Mr. Shaw, the Petition of the Y. W. C. T. U., Toronto.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Temperance Workers of the Epworth League, Fenelon.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of St. Lawrence Sunday School, Pittsburg; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, all of Crow Lake; also, the Petition of the Sabbath School, Clarendon Station; also, the Petition of the Ladies' Adult Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Men's Adult Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Cataraqui; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Women's Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Men's Bible Class, all of Hartington.

By Mr. Studholme, the Petition of Wesley Church Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Hamilton.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Council, R. T. of T., St. Mary's; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Mitchell; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, West Monkton.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church, Tweed.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of the Session of St. John's Presbyterian Church, Port Stanley.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Presbyterian Sabbath School, Markdale; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Cedarville.

By Mr. Lackner, the Petition of the United Brethren in Christ, Church; also, the Petition of the Alma Street United Brethren Sunday School; also, the Petition of the United Brethren Christian Endeavour Society; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., all of Berlin; also, the Petition of the Young People's Alliance, St. Jacobs.

By Mr. Macdairmid, the Petition of the Village Council of Arthur; also, the Petition of the Young People's Society, Talbotville; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Frome; also, the Petition of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of the R. T. of T.; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Sunday School, all of West Lorne; also, the Petition of the Methodist Epworth League, Shedden.

By Mr. Fisher, the Petition of the Epworth League, Burford; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Fairfield Plains.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Holland Centre; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Harkaway.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Petition of the Congregation of the Methodist Church, Sylvan.

By Mr. Torrance, the Petition of the Centennial Church; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., all of Stratford.

By Mr. McEwing, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Stirton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Goshen.

By Mr. Truax, two Petitions of the County Council of Bruce; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Culross; also, the Petition of the Sabbath School, Eden Grove; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Ripley,

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Halloway Street Epworth League Belleville; also, the Petition of the Beulah Sunday School, Huntingdon.

By Mr. McCormick, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Enniskillen; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Petrolea; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Alvinston.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church, Summerstown.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the Epworth League, Grahamsville; also the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Baltimore; also, the Petition of the Congregational Church, Alton.

By Mr. Racine, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Cumberland; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Rockland; also, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Young People's Society, all of Hawthorne.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Epworth League, Bethel; also, the Petition of the Congregation of the Methodist Church, Consicon; also, the Petition of the Salem Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Victoria Methodist Church, all of Ameliasburg.

By Mr. Pharand, the Petition of the Sunday School, Fournier.

By Mr. Mackay (Oxford), the Petition of the Township Council of Blandford.

By Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Kemptville.

By Mr. Gamey, the Petition of the Township Council of Assiginack.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Epworth League, Bradford; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Sheridan; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Tottenham.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the North Street Methodist Church; also, of the North Street Sunday School, all of Goderich; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Hensall; also, the Petition of the Bethel Sunday School, Bayfield; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of Duffs Sunday School, all of Walton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Seaforth; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Brucefield; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Gochen Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Varna.

By Mr. Reid (Renfrew), the Petition of the Baptist Church, Pembroke.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Salford.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of the Desciples Church, Ridgetown; also, the Petition of the Desciples Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Desciples Church, all of Selton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Harwich.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Woodville.

By Mr. Tudhope, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Fesserton; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Midland; also, the Petition of the North River Sunday School, Lovering; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Salvation Army, Barrie.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of the B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist Church; also the Petition of the Golden Rule Circle of King's Daughters, all of Cornwall; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Finch.

By Mr. Craig, the Petition of the Epworth League of Bethel Church, Dracon.

By Mr. Musgrove, the Petition of the Y. P. S. C. E.; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Blyth; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Westfield; also, the Petition of the Council No. 114, R. T. of T.; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, all of Wingham; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the S. O. T., Benmiller.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of the Epworth League, Littlewood.

By Mr. Thompson (Peterborough), two Petitions of the Methodist Sabbath School, Warsaw; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Havelock.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the County Council of Lanark, praying for certain amendments to the law respecting the use by non-resident owners of Motor Vehicles.

Of the Queen Street Methodist Sunday School, Toronto; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Huntsville; also, of the Presbyterian Guild, Port Stanley; also, of the Sunday School; also, of the Adult Bible Class, all of Shiloh; also, of the Epworth League, Salem; also, of the Sunday School; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Holly; also, of the Epworth League, Elmvale; also, of the Methodist Church, Allandale; also, of the Division S. O. T., No. 284, Painswick; also, of the Young Peoples' Society, Darlington; also, of the Epworth League, Edgley; also, of the Sharon Sunday School, Salem; also, of the West Street Epworth League, Owen Sound; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Adult Bible Class, all of Johnstown; also, of the Christian Endeavour Society; also, of the W. C. T. U., all of Meaford; also, of the Union Sunday

School; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Hoath's Head; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Methodist Mission Board, all of Walter's Falls; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Swinton Park; also, of the Presbyterian Congregation, Priceville; also, of the Victoria Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Ravenna; also, of the Adult Bible Class, Fairmont; also, of the S. O. T., Heathcote; also, of the Sunday School, Summerstown; also, of the First Methodist Sunday School, Picton; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Bethel; also, of the Epworth League, Albury; also, of the Evangelical Association, Benmiller; also, of the Epworth League, Londesboro'; also, of the Sunday School, Preston; also, of the Methodist Church, Lambton Mills; also, of the Methodist Church, Newtonbrook; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Downsview; also, of the Methodist Church, Fairbank; also, of the Young Peoples' Society, Deseronto; also, of the Epworth League, Prescott; also, of the Epworth League, Pittston; also, of the Epworth League, Carley's Corners; also, of the Epworth League, Maynard; also, of the Trustees of the Methodist Church, Cardinal; also, of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Aultsville; also, of the Official Board, Newington, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act respecting majority rule.

Mr. Hoyle, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions and find the notices as published in each case sufficient.

Of the Town Council of North Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to amend By-law No. 76 and to ratify and confirm several By-laws for the issue of debentures to provide for cost of laying Water Mains, and for other purposes.

Of the Upper Canada Bible Society and the Upper Canada Religious Tract Society, praying that an Act may pass to enlarge the powers of the Societies under a Bond given to the late Jesse Ketchum in connection with the conveyance by him, to the Societies, of certain lands on Yonge Street, in the City of Toronto.

Of William J. Crossen, and others, of Cobourg, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Cobourg, Port Hope and Havelock Electric Railway Company.

Of the Peterborough Radial Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for completion of the road and authorizing an extension from Clear Lake to Stony Lake.

Of the Kingston School of Mining and Agriculture, praying that an Act may pass to increase the Capital Stock of the Corporation and the number of Governors thereof.

Of the Village Council of West Lorne, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 723, of the County of Elgin, incorporating the Village, and By-law No. 34, of the Village, *re* issue of debentures.

Of Frederick A. Acland, and others, of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Civil Service Co-operative Savings and Loan Society, Limited.

Of Thomas Bales Coombs, and others, of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to vest in the Salvation Army, when incorporated, all the property, real and personal, in the Province held in the name of any person, or persons, for, or in trust for the Army.

Of the Trustees of Knox Church, Toronto, praying that an Act may pass empowering the sale by them of the Gore Lot on the North side of Duchess Street in the City of Toronto.

Of the Town Council of Trenton, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the issue of debentures in aid of the development of power in the River Trent within the limits of the Town, and to guarantee Bonds for that purpose.

Of the South Western Traction Company, praying that an Act may pass to amend Act of incorporation; to increase the borrowing powers from $25,000 to $33,000 *per* mile, and for other purposes.

Of the Ontario Inter-Urban Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the road.

Of the Town Council of Smith's Falls, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 794, authorizing issue of debentures.

Of the City Council of Hamilton, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the passage of a By-law for the issue of debentures for an amount not exceeding $237,000 for payment of cost of certain works and improvements, and for other purposes.

Of the Village Council of Hepworth, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 14 (1907), and By-law No. 11 (1908), guaranteeing the Bonds of the Hepworth Manufacturing Company, Limited.

Of the Town Council of Midland, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a By-law for an extension of two years, within which the Canada Iron Corporation, Limited, are to erect and complete a new furnace within the Town.

Of the City Council of Brantford, praying that an Act may pass to enable the Corporation to use the property known as the "Waterous Old Property" for a City Hall, or as a Market Square; to sell and dispose of the same; to ratify and confirm certain By-laws, and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Sarnia, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the issue of new debentures not to exceed $5,000 in each of the years 1909 to 1918 inclusive, and for other purposes.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows, and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 34), Respecting the Merchants' Fire Insurance Company, and Bill (No. 49), To confirm By-laws No. 815 and No. 250 of the City of Chatham, and report the same without amendments.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 42), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Smith's Falls." Mr. Preston (Lanark.)

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 83), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Hamilton." Mr. Eilber.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 30), intituled "An Act respecting certain Debts of the Town of Sarnia." Mr. Eilber.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 43), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Civil Service Co-operative Savings and Loan Society of Ottawa." Mr. Fripp.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 47), intituled "An Act to confirm By-laws numbers 14 of 1907 and 11 of 1908, of the Village of Hepworth." Mr. MacKay (Grey.)

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 23), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of North Toronto." Mr. McCowan.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 58), intituled "An Act respecting the Jesse Ketchum Trust; the Upper Canada Bible Society, and the Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society." Mr. McNaught.

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 17), intituled "An Act respecting the Peterborough Radial Railway Company." Mr. Bradburn.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 26), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Cobourg, Port Hope and Havelock Railway Company." Mr. Preston (Durham.)

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 21), intituled "An Act respecting the Village of West Lorne." Mr. Macdiarmid.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 50), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the School of Mining and Agriculture at Kingston." Mr. Nickle.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 12), intituled "An Act respecting the property of the Salvation Army." Mr. McNaught.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 46), intituled "An Act respecting Knox Church Burying Ground." Mr. McNaught.

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 55), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Midland." Mr. Tudhope.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 22), intituled "An Act respecting the Ontario Inter-Urban Railway Company." Mr. Norman.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 28), intituled "An Act respecting the South Western Traction Company." Mr. Neely.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 111), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Trenton." Mr. Johnson.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 143), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Godfrey.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 144), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 145), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Light and Heat Act." Mr. Downey.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 146), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Light and Heat Act." Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 147), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Downey.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 148), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. McNaught.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 149), intituled "An Act to regulate the means of Egress from Public Buildings." Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 14), Respecting the Rideau Club, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 124), To amend the Act to provide for Development of Water Power at Dog Lake, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 125), To amend the Audit Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion, that Mr. Speaker do leave the Chair, and that the House do again resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed, and after some time, it was, on the motion of Mr. Brewster,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Inspector of Insurance and Registrar of Friendly Societies, for the year 1908. *(Sessional Papers No. 10.)*

Also—Loan Corporations Statements, being Financial Statements made by Building Societies, Loaning Land Companies and Trust Companies, for the year 1908. *(Sessional Papers No. 11.)*

The House then adjourned at 9.45 p.m.

Wednesday, 10th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Commissioners of Estate Bills, their Reports in the following cases :—

Bill (No. 24), Respecting the Mutual Relief and Hospital Fund of the Bruce Copper Mines, Limited, and the Hospital Fund of the Copper Mining and Smelting Company of Ontario, Limited, and Bill (No. 3), Respecting the Marriage Settlement of Robert Woods Prittie and Jane Prittie.

The Reports were then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows :—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned, to whom was referred Bill (No. 24), intituled "An Act respecting the Mutual Relief and Hospital Fund of the Bruce Copper Mines, Limited, and the Hospital Fund of the Copper Mining and Smelting Company of Ontario, Limited," have the honour to report—

1. That they have perused the Bill and are of opinion, subject to what is stated in paragraph 4, that presuming the allegations contained in the Preamble to be proved to the satisfaction of your Honourable House, it is reasonable that the Bill do pass into law.

2. That the provisions of the Bill, with the changes they have made in its form, are proper for carrying its purposes into effect.

3. That the title of the Bill is unnecessarily long, and might with advantage be changed so as to read, "An Act to provide for the incorporation of the Board of Trustees of the Bruce Mines Hospital, and for other purposes."

4. The Fund to which the Bill relates appears from the Preamble to have been formed of contributions made by the employees of the Bruce Copper Mines, Limited, and in the opinion of the undersigned, further evidence of the nature of the arrangements mentioned in the Preamble between the Company and its employees should be required by your Honourable House, and care should be taken to see that the rights of the contributors to the fund are not improperly interfered with by the proposed legislation.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Osgoode Hall, Toronto.
9th March, 1909.

W. R. MEREDITH, C.J.C.P.
F. OSLER, J.A.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned have perused Bill (No. 3), intituled "An Act respecting the Marriage Settlement of Robert Woods Prittie and Jane Prittie," and beg to report thereon as follows:—

The effect of this Bill is to withdraw the property proposed to be dealt with from the trusts of the Marriage Settlement of the 1st June, 1880, entered into between the parties, and generally speaking such a Bill would, on that ground, be objectionable.

The property in question appears to have been acquired since the date of the settlement by the application of the proceeds of the sale of part of the settled property, and is subject to the terms of the Settlements. The application of the Bill is confined to the property so acquired.

It appears, by the terms of the Settlement, that the absolute power is conferred upon Mrs. Prittie of disposing by her Will of the settled property either original, or substituted, to such person or persons as she may direct or appoint.

Under these circumstances, the undersigned are unable to say, that assuming the allegations in the Preamble to be proved to the satisfaction of your Honourable House, it is expedient that the Bill should pass into law, but are of opinion that it is a question of policy to be determined by the Legislature whether the subsequently acquired property should be dealt with as proposed by this Bill.

Presuming that the assent of R. W. Prittie and all the adult children of the marriage is given to the Bill and that the allegations contained in the Preamble are also proved to the satisfaction of the House, the provisions of the Bill are proper for carrying its purposes into effect.

W. R. MEREDITH, C. J. C. P.
F. OSLER, J. A.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 24), Respecting the Mutual Relief and Hospital Fund of the Bruce Copper Mines, Limited, and the Hospital Fund of the Copper Mining and Smelting Company of Ontario, Limited, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estate Bills thereon.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 3), Respecting the Marriage Settlement of Robert Woods Prittie and Jane Prittie, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estate Bills thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the Winchester Summer Sabbath School.

By Mr. Foy, the Petition of Harmony Council R. T. of T., Toronto.

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Members of the Methodist Church, Moore Centre ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Corunna.

By Mr. Reaume, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Belle River Road.

By Mr. Beck, the Petition of P. B. Wallace, and others ; also, the Petition of the Memorial Church ; also, the Petition of the Men's Bible Class ; also, the Petition of the "Hope of the West" Lodge ; also, the Petition of the Bible Class Welcome ; also, the Petition of the First Methodist Sunday School ; also, the Petition of the First Methodist Epworth League ; also, the Petition of the Empress Avenue Epworth League, all of London.

By Mr. McDougal, the Petition of the Frances E. Willard W. C. T. U. ; also, the Petition of the Session of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church ; also, the Petition of the Eastern Division S. O. T., all of Ottawa.

By Mr. Nesbitt, the Petition of the Methodist Tabernacle Church ; also the Petition of the Tabernacle Church Sunday School, all of Murray Township.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Methodist Church, West Monkton.

By Mr. Torrance, the Petition of the Centennial Church Sunday School Stratford.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Citizens' League, Tweed.

By Mr. Wilson, the Petition of the Epworth League ; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board, all of Stoney Creek ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, all of Trowbridge.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of the Township Council of Watt ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Hillside.

By Mr. Downey, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Erin ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School ; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Rockwood ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Eden Mills ; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Salem.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of the Congregation of the Methodist Church, Huffmans; also, the Petition of the Congregation of the Methodist Church, Forbes.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, Port Hope.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Zephyr.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of the King's Daughters, Toronto.

By Mr. Donovan, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Addison.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Pine River; also, two Petitions of the Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Eden Grove; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Ripley; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Lucknow.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Sunday School, Cedarville

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of the Lord's Day Alliance; also, the Petition of the Morrison Street Methodist Epworth League, all of Niagara Falls; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Welland.

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, all of Bowling Green; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School, Honeywood; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Terra Nova.

By Mr. Reid (Renfrew), the Petition of the Township of Ross; also, the Petition of the Good Templars, Bromley.

By Mr. Preston (Lanark), the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Almonte.

By Mr. Pattinson, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, New Hamburg; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Hespeler; also, the Petition of the United Brethren in Christ; also, the Petition of the United Brethren Christian Endeavour; also, the Petition of the United Brethren Sunday School, all of Freeport.

By Mr. McCormick, the Petition of the Epworth League, Arkona.

By Mr. Anderson, the Petition of the Township Council of Colchester South; also, the Petition of the Session and Congregation of the Presbyterian Church, Tilbury West; also, the Petition of the Young Men's Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Young People's Guild, all of Comber; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Goldsmith; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Olinda.

By Mr. Proudfoot, the Petition of the Sunday School, Sunshine; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U.; also, the Petition of the Melleville Church Sunday School, all of Brussells; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Clinton; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Holmsville.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of the Township Council of Tilbury East; also, the Petition of James Fox, and others, of Kent.

By Mr. Kohler, two Petitions of the County Council of Kent; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Caledonia; also, the Petition of the Village Council of Hagersville; also, the Petition of the Township Council of Rainham; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of Grace Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Congregation of the Evangelical Church; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Young People's Alliance, all of Dunnville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Epworth League, Hagersville; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Rainham; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Willow Grove.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Bucke, praying for the repeal of Section 606, of the Municipal Act, respecting the liabilitiy of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of the Methodist Church, Courtright; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Methodist Congregation, all of South Woodslee; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church; also, of the Managing Board of the Presbyterian Church, all of Brown's Corners; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Garden City Council No. 567; also, of the Niagara Street Epworth League, all of St. Catharines; also, of the Prohibition Union, Beamsville; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School; also of the Methodist Church; also, of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church, all of Queenston; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, of the W. C. T. U.; also, of the Methodist Church, all of St Davids; also, of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Stamford; also, of the R. T. of T.; also, of the Ladies' Auxiliary; also, of the W. C. T. U., all of Lindsay; also, of the Epworth League, Hamilton; also, of the Cengregation of Ebenezer Church, Darlington; also, of the Council No. 81, R. T. of T., Picton; also, of the Salem Sunday School, Ameliasburgh; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Palgrave; also, of the Methodist Church, Huttonville, also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Malton; also, of the Methodist Church, Goldstone; also, of the R. T. of T., Port Arthur; also, of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church, Fort William; also, of the Baptist Church, Schreiber; also, of the Baptist Church, Dorion; also, of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist

Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Pickering; also, of the Head Sunday School, Scugog; also, of the S. O. T. Division; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Greenbank; also, of the W. C. T. U., Prince Albert; also, of the Young People's Guild, Innerkip; also, of the Methodist Church, Belwood; also, of the Methodist Church, Bethel; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Sabbath School, all of Elfrida; also, of the Epworth League, Trinity; also, of the Case Church Sunday School, Glanford; also, of the Epworth League, Tapleytown; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Winona; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Waterdown; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Salem Circuit, all of Colborne; also, of the Methodist Congregation; also, of the R. T. of T., all of Queensboro'; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Haggard's Corners; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Harts; also, of the Official Board; also, of the Sunday School, all of Deseronto, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting Majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 150), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 151), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Macdiarmid.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 152), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Statute Labour." Mr. Mahaffy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 153), intituled "An Act to amend the Surrogate Courts Act." Mr. MacKay (Grey.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 154), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. MacKay. (Grey.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 155), intituled "An Act to improve and make certain, Tax Titles." Mr. McPherson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 156), intituled "An Act to repeal the Act respecting Boards of Education in certain Cities, and to provide for the election and appointment of a Public School Board, High School Board and Technical School Board, respectively." Mr. McPherson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

On motion of Mr. Stock, seconded by Mr. Ross (Middlesex),

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing:—Concerning each appointment made by the Government to any educational office, or employment, since the Government's inception of office. 1. Name of appointee. 2. Date of appointment. 3. Nature of employment or office. 4. Outline of duties pertaining thereto. 5. The salary paid. 6. If teacher, master or professor: (*a*) His academic standing. (*b*) The kind of school or schools in which his experience was obtained, and the length of it. (*c*) His professional status, and stating the kind of training school in which he was trained. 7. Concerning the office of Inspector since the creation of the office, and as to such official: (*a*) What previous experience in inspection had he. (*b*) His academic and professional standing qualifying him for his duties. 8. If not holding his engagement still, how was it severed.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 122), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 130), To amend the Municipal Water Works Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 134), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 34), Respecting Merchants' Fire Insurance Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 49), To confirm By-laws Nos. 815 and 250 of the City of Chatham.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 123), To provide Compensation for Injuries to *Employes*, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion, that Mr. Speaker do leave the Chair, and that the House do again resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed.

And the House having continued to sit until Twelve of the Clock, Midnight.

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The Debate was continued.

And after some time, it was, on motion of Mr. Studholme,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until the next Sittings of the House To-day.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 157), intituled "An Act to amend an Act passed in the 7th year of His Majesty's Reign, chaptered 19, intituled An Act to provide for the transmission of Electrical Power to Municipalities; to validate certain contracts entered into with the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario, and for other purposes." Sir James Whitney.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the next Sittings of the House To-day.

The House then adjourned at 12.40 a.m.

Thursday, 11th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Iroquois.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of the Sherbourne Street Epworth League, Toronto.

By Mr. Beck, the Petition of the London Brass Works Company; also, the Petition of the Session of the King Street Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of the Sunbeam Temple, I. O. G. T.; also, the Petition of the Dundas Street Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the First Congregational Church; also, the Petition of the Askin Street Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Dundas Central Methodist Sunday School, all of London.

By Mr. McNaught, the Petition of John Knox Lindsay, and others, of Toronto.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Epworth League, West Monkton.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Sunday School, Rasbank.

By Mr. Wilson, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Trowbridge.

By Mr. Morel, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., North Bay; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Widdifield; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Adult Bible Class, all of Cobalt.

By Mr. Studholme, the Petition of the Regina Council, No. 67, R. T. of T.' Hamilton.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Boys' Brigade, Bancroft.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Ridgeway.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Epworth League, Columbus.

By Mr. McNaught, the Petition of the Yonge Street Methodist Church.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of the Crawford Street Young People's Society; also, the Petition of the Crawford Street Methodist Sunday School, all of Toronto.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Women's Institute, Queenston.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Alma; also, the Petition of the Bethel Congregation, Pilkington; also, the Petition of the Congregational Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Young Men's Club of the Congregational Church, all of Alton.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of the Union Sunday School, Peninsula Canal.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the Epworth League, Luton; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Corinth; also, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Dunboyne; also, the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, all of Springfield; also, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Eden.

By Mr. Torrance, the Petition of the Watching Circle of the King's Daughters; also, the Petition of the Young People's Alliance of the Centennial Church, all of Stratford.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Sunday School, Bethel.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School, Cornwall.

By Mr. Pharand, the Petition of the Sunday School, Riceville; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, Fournier.

By Mr Downey, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Rockwood.

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Epworth League, Terra Nova; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Honeywood; also, the Petition of the Young People's Guild, Black's Corners; also, the Petition of the Sunshine Methodist Church, The Maples; also, the Petition of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Laurel.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Wheatley.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of the Ebenezer Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Ebenezer Church, all of Verschoyle.

By Mr Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, Cookstown.

By Mr. Bradburn, the Petition of the Park Street Baptist Church, Peterborough; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Bridgenorth.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of York, praying that an Act may pass declaring that the Municipal Council shall be authorized and empowered to expropriate or otherwise acquire from the Toronto Cemetery Company, sufficient land for the purpose of opening up a highway from north to south through the cemetery.

Of the County Council of Bruce, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Act, 1897, respecting deviation of boundaries or roads ordered by the Railway and Municipal Board, and to allow appeals in certain cases.

Of the County Council of Bruce, praying for certain amendments to the Schools Act, respecting the expense of pupils attending schools outside their own counties.

Of the Township Council of Elderslie; also, of the Village Council of Arthur; also, of the Township Council of Culross; also, of the Township Council of Assiginack; also, of the Township Council of Blandford, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of the Epworth League, Iroquois; also, of the Central W. C. T U.; also, of the Busy People's Bible Class of the Yonge Street Methodist Church, all of Toronto; also, of the Y. M. B. C.; also, of the Sunday School; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Uxbridge; also, of the W. C. T. U.,

Zephyr ; also, of the Trustee Board of the Mothodist Church, Sunderland ; also, of the Oxford Council of R. T. of T , Woodstock ; also, of the Sunday School, Manver's Station ; also, of the Presbyterian Sabbath School, Brown's Corners ; also, of the St. Lawrence Sunday School, Pittsburg ; also, of the Methodist Church ; also, of the Sunday School, all of Crow Lake ; also, of the Sabbath School, Clarendon Station ; also, of the Ladies' Adult Bible Class ; also, of the Men's Adult Bible Class ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Cataraqui ; also, of the Epworth League ; also, of the Women's Bible Class ; also, of the Sunday School ; also, of the Men's Bible Class, all of Hartington ; also, of the Sheridan Epworth League, Cooksville ; also, of the Epworth League, Kilbride; also, of the Epworth League, Fenelon; also, of the Council R. T. of T., St. Mary's ; also, of the W. C. T. U., Mitchell ; also, of the Sunday School, West Monkton ; also, of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church, Tweed ; also, of the Presbyterian Sabbath School, Markdale ; also, of the Epworth League, Cedarville ; also, of the Session of St. John's Presbyterian Church, Port Stanley; also, of the Epworth League, Holland Centre ; also, of the Epworth League, Harkaway ; also, of the Methodist Church, Shirton ; also, of the Methodis; Church, Goshen ; also, of the Olivet Methodist Church, Ripley ; also, of the Sabbath School, Eden Grove ; also, of the Halloway Street Epworth League, Belleville ; also, of the Beulah Sunday School, Huntingdon ; also, of the Epworth League, Havelock ; also, two Petitions from the Methodist Sunday School, Warsaw ; also, of the Epworth League, Littlewood ; also of the Y. P. S. C. E. ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Blyth ; also, of the Sunday School, Westfield; also, of the Council No. 114, R. T. of T.; also, of the Methodist Sunday School ; also, of the Methodist Congregation, all of Wingham; also, of the Epworth League ; also, of the S. O. T., all of Benmiller ; also, of the Methodist Church ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Fesserton ; also, of the Sunday School, Midland ; also, of the North River Sunday School, Lovering ; also, of the Epworth League, Crown Hill ; also, of the Salvation Army, Barrie ; also, of the B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist Church ; also, of the Golden Rule Circle of King's Daughters, all of Cornwall ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Finch ; also, of the Methodist Church, Woodville ; also, of the Disciples Church, Ridgetown ; also, of the Disciples Sunday School ; also, of the Disciples Church, all of Selton ; also, of the Methodist Church, Harwich ; also, of the W. C. T. U., Salford ; also, of the Baptist Church, Pembroke ; also, of the Methodist Quarterly Board ; also, of the Epworth League ; also, of the North Street Methodist Church ; also of the North Street Sunday School, all of Goderich ; also, of the W. C. T. U., Hensall ; also, of the Bethel Sunday School, Bayfield ; also, of the Presbyterian Church ; also, of Duffs Church Sunday School ; all of Walton ; also of the Methodist Sunday School, Seaforth ; also, of the Methodist Church, Brucefield ; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Goschen ; also, two Petitions of the Methodist Church, Varna ; also, of the Epworth League, Bethel ; also, of the Methodist Church, Consecon ; also of the Salem Methodist Church ; also of the Victoria Methodist Church, all of Ameliasburg ; also, of the Epworth League, Bradford ;

also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Sheridan ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Tottenham ; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Kemptville ; also, of the Sunday School, Fournier ; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Cumberland ; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Rockland ; also, of the Sunday School, also, of the Young People's Society, all of Hawthorn ; also, of the Epworth League, Grahamsville ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Baltimore ; also, of the Congregational Church, Alton ; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Summerstown ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Enniskillen ; also, of the Epworth League, Petrolea ; also, of the Epworth League, Alvinston ; also, of the United Brethren in Christ ; also, of the Alma Street United Brethren Sunday School ; also ; of the United Brethren Christian Endeavour Society ; also, of the W. C. T. U., all of Berlin ; also, of the Young People's Alliance, St. Jacob's ; also, of the Centennial Church ; also, of the W. C. T. U., all of Stratford ; also, of the Epworth League of the Bethel Church, Dracon ; also, of the Congregation of the Methodist Church, Sylvan ; also of the Epworth League, Burford ; also of the Methodist Church, Fairfield Plains ; also, of the Young People's Society, Talbotville ; also, of the Epworth League, Frome ; also, of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Presbyterian Church ; also, of the R. T. of T., also, of the Presbyterian Sunday School, all of West Lorne ; also of the Epworth League, Shedden ; also, of the Wesley Church Sunday School ; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Hamilton, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Hoyle, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

Your Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions, and find the notices as published in each case sufficient.

Of the City Council of Port Arthur, praying that an Act may pass to confirm issue of Bonds by the Railway, Marine and General Hospital ; to ratify and confirm By-law No. 231 and certain other By-laws; to empower the operation of the Street Railway, and for other purposes.

Of the City Council of Fort William, praying that an Act may pass to amend Section 7 of Cap. 80, 8 Edw. VII ; to fix and determine the term of office of the Fifth Commissioner and the time for the appointment of the Two Commissioners representing the City and the City of Port Arthur, and for other purposes.

Of the Niagara Peninsular Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to empower the Company to survey, lay out, construct and operate a branch line to a point at or near the City of St. Catharines, and to increase the Capital Stock to $200,000.

Of James Playfair, and others, of Midland, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Simcoe Electric Railway and Power Company.

Of the City Council of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to authorize the borrowing, upon an issue of debentures, of a sufficient sum to liquidate the outstanding debts of the Central Canada Exhibition Association; to authorize the conveyance of certain lands to the Ottawa Electric Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of Sault Ste. Marie, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm a certain By-law granting aid to John O'Boyle in the construction of a Dry Dock in the Town.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and report the same with certain amendments.

Bill (No. 7), Respecting St. John's Church, Ancaster; Bill (No. 32), Respecting the Canadian Casualty and Boiler Insurance Company, and Bill (No. 24), Respecting the Mutual Relief and Hospital Fund of the Bruce Copper Mines, Limited, and the Hospital Fund of the Copper Mining and Smelting Company of Ontario, Limited.

The Committee recommend that the Title to Bill (No. 24), be amended to read "An Act to incorporate the Board of Trustees of the Bruce Mines Hospital, and for other purposes."

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 7), on the ground that it is one relating to a religious institution.

The Committee also recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 20), To authorize the Supreme Court of Judicature for Ontario to admit James George Guise Bagley to practice as a Barrister, the same having been withdrawn by the promotor thereof.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 7), St. John's Church, Ancaster; and on Bill (No. 20), James G. G. Bagley.

Mr. Cochrane, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively.

Bill (No. 8), To incorporate the People's Railway Company; Bill (No. 51), To incorporate the Belleville Radial Railway Company, and Bill (No. 40), To incorporate the Eastern Ontario Counties Electric Belt Line Railway Company.

Your Committee have amended the preambles to Bills Numbers 8 and 40, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to your Committee.

Your Committee have also changed the Title to Bill (No. 40), so that it now reads "An Act to incorporate the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Electric Railway Company."

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 18), intituled " An Act respecting the City of Fort William, 1909." Mr. Smellie.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 161), intituled " An Act respecting certain Municipal By-laws and Agreements." Mr. Beck.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion, that Mr. Speaker do leave the Chair, and that the House do again resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time,

Mr. MacKay (Grey), moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. McDougal,

That all the words of the Motion, after the first word " That " be struck out and the following inserted: " this House regrets, that when a proper classification of current, as distinguished from Capital Receipts and Expenditures has been made, it clearly appears that the Current Expenditures for 1908, exceeded, the Current Receipts, and this House views with alarm the large increase in ordinary controllable expenditures of the Province during the past four years, particularly those under the heads of ' Civil Government ' and ' Miscellaneous,' the expenditure under Civil Government having risen from $344,006 in 1904 to $518,823.91 in 1908, and that under the head of Miscellaneous from $139,007.17 in 1904 to $468,131.30 in 1908, and this House, especially in view of the deficit of last year, strongly urges a curtailment of expenses particularly under the heads mentioned. This House further regrets the tremendous increase in the expenditures of this Province that are made without the annual vote of this Legislature, which expenditures last year amounted, under the three heads of ' Special Statutes,' ' Treasury Board Minutes ' and ' Special Warrants,' to the large sum of $1,486,804, or seventeen and a half *per cent.* of the total expenditure "

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Original Motion, having been then again submitted, the same was carried and the House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1909, the following sum :—

1. To defray the expenses of the Lieutenant-Governor's Office....$3,933 34

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved. That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 110), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie." Mr. Hearst.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 126), intituled "An Act respecting the Niagara Peninsular Railway Company." Mr. Fraser.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 162), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Eilber.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Mr. Clark (Bruce), from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented their First Report, which was read as follows :—

Your Committee recommend that the following documents be printed.

Public Accounts of the Province, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 1.*)

Estimates for the ten months ending October 31st, 1909. (*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Report of the Commissioners for the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 5.*)

Seventh Annual Report of the T. & N. O. Ry. Commission, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 8.*)

Report of the Inspector of Insurance and Registrar of Friendly Societies. (*Sessional Papers No. 10.*)

Report of Loan Corporations, &c., &c., for the year 1908. *Sessional Papers No. 11.*)

Report of the Board of Governors of the University of Toronto. (*Sessional Papers No. 13.*)

Report of the Live Stock Associations, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 22.*)

Report on Women's Institutes, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 24.*)

Report of the Farmers' Institutes, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 25.*)

Report of the Agricultural Societies, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 26.*)

Report of the Bureau of Labour, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 30.*)

Report on the Operation of the Liquor License Acts, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 44.*)

Return from the Records, *re* Elections. (*Sessional Papers No. 46.*)

Bulletin of the Toronto Hospital for the Insane, *re* Psychiatry. (*Sessional Papers No. 51.*) For distribution only.

Your Committee recommend that the following documents be not printed :—

Report of the Librarian, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 47.*)

Copies of Orders-in-Council passed since the last Session *in re* the Department of Education. (*Sessional Papers No. 52.*)

The Committee recommend that there be purchased for the use of the Members of the Legislative Assembly, 115 copies each, of "A History of Canadian Journalism," and "The Common Sense of the Milk Question."

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the First Report of the Committee on Printing.

Mr. Eilber asked the following Question :—

What are the detailed amounts paid to the different Municipalities for good roads, in the year 1908, amounting to $107,524.63.

To which the Provincial Treasurer replied in the words and figures following :—

Treasurer, County of :—		Treasurer, County of :—	
Frontenac	7,523 61	Peel	9,405 28
Halton	15,964 17	Prince Edward	936 46
Hastings	6,116 32	Simcoe	12,974 07
Lincoln	4,133 03	Wellington	6,318 80
Middlesex	7,699 18	Wentworth	10,165 10
Oxford	26,288 61		

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report respecting the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths in the Province, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 7.*)

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Friday, 12th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board, appointed to enquire into Bills for the consolidation of a floating debt, or, for the consolidation, or renewal, of debentures (other than local improvement debentures), of a Municipal Corporation, their Report in the following case :—

Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Floating Debt of the Town of Dundas.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows :—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

In the matter of Bill (No. 11), intituled "An Act respecting the Floating Debt of the Town of Dundas.

The Board have made enquiry into the allegations set out in the above Bill and into all other matters which the Board deem necessary in connection therewith, and beg to report that it is reasonable that such Bill be passed into law.

The Board however, find that the following alterations should be made in the Bill:—

That the Bill should provide for a sinking fund for the payment of the debentures at their maturity, and that such sinking fund should be paid to the Provincial Treasurer in pursuance of the Municipal Securities Act of 1908.

JAMES LEITCH, Chairman.
Dated this 9th day of March, A. D. 1909. A. B. INGRAM, Vice-Chairman.
H. N. KITSON, Member.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Floating Debt of the Town of Dundas, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Railway and Municipal Board thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Dominion Alliance, Toronto.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School, Redwing.

By Mr. McPherson, the Petition of the West End Branch of the Toronto Y. M. C. A.; also, the Petition of Mathew George Diehl Vankoughnet of Glacier, B. C.

By Mr. Downey, the Petition of the Dublin Street Sunday School, Guelph.

By Mr. McDougal, the Petition of the Men's Brotherhood of Bethany, Ottawa.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Epworth League, Toronto.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of the Township Council of Willoughby, also, the Petition of the Township Council of Thorold; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Ridgeway; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Fonthill; also, the Petition of the Moral Reform Society, Thorold Township; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Bridgeburg.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Woodham; also, the Petition of Bethel Sunday School, Munro.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the R. T. of T., Deseronto.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Y. W. C. T. U., Belleville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Bancroft.

By Mr. Bradburn, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Lakehurst.

By Mr. Morel, the Petition of the Methodist Mission, Eau Claire.

By Mr. Clarke (Northumberland), the Petition of the Methodist Church, Carmel.

By Mr. Proudfoot, the Petition of the Session of Willis Presbyterian Church, Clinton.

By Mr. Pratt, the Petition of the Canada Central Railway; also, the Petition of W. M. German, and others, of Big Creek; also, the Petition of the Officers of the Sunday School, Hacketts; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, St. Williams; also, the Petition of the Y. P. S. of the Baptist Church; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, all of Vittoria.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Men's Adult Bible Class, Mountain View; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, Bethel.

By Mr. Fripp, the Petition of the Session of Bethany Presbyterian Church, Ottawa.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the County Council of Kent, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act, so as to exempt Farm Buildings from Taxation.

Of the County Council of Haldimand, praying that it be made illegal to run Motor Vehicles on highways on Sunday and at least one other day of the week.

Of the County Council of Haldimand, praying for certain amendments to the law respecting the use by non-resident owners of Motor Vehicles.

Of P. B. Wallace, and others, of London, praying that the Bill before the House to amend the Pharmacy Act, may not pass.

Of the Township Council of Watt; also, of the Township Council of Ross; also, of the Township Council of Colchester South; also, of the Township Council of Tilbury East; also, of the Township Council of Rainham; also, of the Village Council of Hagersville; also, of the Village Council of Caledonia, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606, of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of the Sunday School, Winchester; also, of the Harmony Council, R. T. of T.; also, of the King's Daughters, all of Toronto; also, of the Members of the Methodist Church, Moore Centre; also, of the Members of the Methodist Church, Corunna; also, of the Methodist Church, Belle River Road; also, of the Methodist Tabernacle Church; also, of the Tabernacle Sunday School, all of Murray Township; also, of the Centennial Church Sunday School, Stratford; also, of the Methodist Church, West Monkton; also, of the Citizens' League,

Tweed; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Quarterly Official Board, all of Stoney Creek; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Sunday School, all of Trowbridge; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Hillside, also, of the Methodist Church, Erin; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church, all of Rockwood; also, of the Epworth League, Eden Mills; also, of the Congregation of the Methodist Church, Salem; also, of the Congregation of the Methodist Church, Huffmans; also, of the Congregation of the Methodist Church, Forbes; also, of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, Port Hope; also, of the Memorial Church; also, of the Men's Bible Class; also, of the Hope of the West Lodge; also, of the Bible Class Welcome; also, of the First Methodist Church; also, of the First Methodist Epworth League; also, of the Empress Avenue Epworth League, all of London; also, of the Epworth League, Zephyr; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Addison; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Pine River; also, two Petitions of the Sabbath School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Eden Grove; also, of the Methodist Church, Ripley; also, of the Sunday School, Lucknow; also, of the Sunday School, Cedarville; also, of Frances Willard W. C. T. U.; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church; also, of the Eastview Division, S. O. T., all of Ottawa; also, of the Lord's Day Alliance; also, of the Morrison Street Methodist Church, all of Niagara Falls; also, of the Epworth League, Welland; also, of the Good Templars, Bromley; also, of the Adult Bible Class; also, of the Sunday School, all of Bowling Green; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School, Honeywood; also, of the Sunday School, Terra Nova; also, of the W. C. T. U., Almonte; also, of the Methodist Congregation, New Hamburg; also, of the Sunday School, Hespeler; also, of the United Brethren in Christ; also, of the United Brethren Christian Endeavour; also, of the United Brethren Sunday School, all of Freeport; also, of the Epworth League, Arkona; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Tilbury West; also, of the Young Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, of the Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Sabbath School; also, of the Young People's Guild, all of Comber; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Sunday School, Olinda; also, of the Sunday School, Sunshine; also, of the W. C. T. U.; also, of the Melville Church Sunday School, all of Brussels; also, of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Clinton; also, of the Epworth League, Holmesville; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Grace Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Congregation of the Evangelical Church; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, of the Young People's Alliance, all of Dunnville; also, of the Methodist Epworth League, Hagersville; also, of the Epworth League, Rainham; also, of the Sunday School, Willow Grove, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 164), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Craig.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 165), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act. Mr. Morel.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 166), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act. Mr. Sulman.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 167), intituled "An Act to amend the Liquor License Act. Mr. Proudfoot.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill No. 168), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act. Mr. McNaught.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. McDougal asked the following Question:—

1. Was the Attorney-General informed of the killing of Silas E. Taylor, an employee of, and in the yards of the Grand Trunk Railway at Madawaska, on November 27th last. 2. Was an application made by the friends of the deceased for an inquest. 3. What was the result of this application. 4. What was the reason for the decision given. 5. Was this case investigated by the Railway Commission of Canada. 6. Did the Railway Commission ask the Attorney-General to order an inquest. 7. What action has been taken, or is intended to be taken by the Attorney-General with reference to this request.

To which the Attorney-General replied as follows:—

1. Yes. 2. Yes. 3 and 4. It was refused as it was not a case coming within the Statute R.S.O. 1907, cap. 97, ss. 2, 3 and 4. 5. An Inspector of the Commission, Mr. J. Clarke, reported on 12th February, 1909, to the Secretary of the Commission in the matter of the accident and its cause, and the Assistant Secretary, on the 16th February, 1909, sent a copy to the Attorney-General, stating that the report is privileged under sec. 374 of the Railway Act (Dom.) 6. Yes, on February 16th, 1909, but evidently the request must be interpreted to mean, provided it could be granted under the law above cited. 7. In view of the foregoing the Attorney-General sees no reason to comply with the request.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 137), To amend the Act respecting Police Magistrates.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 145), To amend the Municipal Light and Heat Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 147), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 148), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 154), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 8), To incorporate the People's Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 51), To incorporate the Belleville Radial Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 40), To incorporate the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Electric Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 32), Respecting the Canadian Casualty and Boiler Insurance Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 7), Respecting St. John's Church, Ancaster.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 24), To provide for the incorporation of the Board of Trustees of the Bruce Mines Hospital, and for other purposes.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 139), Respecting the Ontario Veterinary College.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 140), To amend the Act respecting Stationary Engineers.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the Salary of the Auditor.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint an officer to be called the Auditor, who shall be paid a salary of $3,500 *per annum,* which shall be charged to and paid out of The Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. McGarry reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. McGarry reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may appoint an officer to be called the Auditor, who shall be paid a salary of $3,500 *per annum,* which shall be charged to and paid out of The Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 125), To amend the Audit Act.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 125), To amend the Audit Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. McGarry reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1909, the following sum:—

2. To defray the expenses of the Office of the Prime Minister and President of Council $6,458 35

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. McGarry reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report, shewing expenditure and account of Construction, Right of Way purchased and Equipment owned by the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Commission. (*Sessional Papers No. 49.*)

Also—Bulletin of the Toronto Hospital for the Insane in the interests of Psychiatry in Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 51.*)

Also—Certain Agreements, made in duplicate, for the supply of printing paper required by the Government, for the term of three years, computed from the first day of January, 1909. (*Sessional Papers No. 54.*)

Also—Copies of Orders-in-Council under the provisions of section 187 of "The Judicature Act," and sub-section 2 of section 84 of the "Surrogate Court Act." (*Sessional Papers No. 55.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the 3rd day of March, 1909 for a Return shewing:—1. The number of Public School Inspectors in the organized Counties of Ontario. 2. Number of Schools under Inspector. 3. The amount of money paid to such Inspectors. 4. The amount of money paid by the County as acquired by the Act. 5. Total amount of expenses paid by the Counties. 6 Average amount of salary and expenses paid each Inspector by both County and Government. (*Sessional Papers No. 53.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.10 p.m.

Monday, 15th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board, appointed to enquire into Bills for the consolidation of a floating debt, or, for the consolidation, or renewal, of debentures (other that local improvement debentures), of a Municipal Corporation, their Report in the following case :—

Bill (No. 33), Respecting the City of Hamilton.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The Board have made enquiry into the allegations set out in the Bill and into all other matters which the Board deem necessary in connection therewith, and beg to report that it is reasonable that the part of the said Bill which relates to the matters mentioned in Rule 61 (a) of the Legislative Assembly do pass into law.

JAMES LEITCH, Chairman.
Dated this Fifteenth day of March, A. D. 1909. A. B. INGRAM, Vice-Chairman.
H. N. KITSON, Member.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 33), Respecting the City of Hamilton, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Railway and Municipal Board thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Winchester; also, the Petition of the Temperance and Moral Reform Association, Iroquois.

By Mr. Matheson, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Smith's Falls.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Woodham.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the First Baptist Church ; also, the Petition of the First Baptist Sunday School, all of Markham.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Baptist Church ; also, the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School, all of Whitevale; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Columbus.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Melrose; also, the Petition of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Shannonville.

By Mr. McDougal, the Petition of the Bethany Young People's Association, Ottawa.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Sunday School Association Hallowell; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Mountain View.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of John Knox Lindsay, and others, of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to reform the Trust Deed of the Tabernacle Church of Toronto, with respect to the terms of disposal of the purchase money in the event of the sale of the Church.

Of the Canada Central Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for the completion of the road.

Of the West End Branch of the Toronto Y. M. C. A., praying that an Act may pass to incorporate them.

Of Matthew George Diehl Van Koughnet, of Glacier, B. C., by his solicitor, praying that an Act may pass to authorize and confirm the adoption, by Jules Napoleon Hamel and his wife, of an infant under the age of 21 years, and to ratify, confirm and declare valid and binding an Agreement to that effect.

Of the W. C. T. U., Iroquois; also, of the Sherbourne Street Epworth League; also, of the Yonge Street Methodist Church; also, of the Crawford Street Young People's Society; also, of the Crawford Street Methodist Sunday School, all of Toronto; also, of the Epworth League, West Monkton; also, of the Sunday School, Rasbank; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Trowbridge; also, of the W. C. T. U., North Bay; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Widdifield; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Adult Bible Class, all of Cobalt; also, of the Regina Council, No. 67, R. T. of T.; also, of the Boys' Brigade, St. Paul's Methodist Church, Bancroft; also, of the London Brass Works Company; also, of the Session of the King Street Presbyterian Church; also, of the Sunbeam Temple, I. O. G. T.; also, of the Dundas Street Centre Methodist Church; also, of the First Congregational Church; also, of the Askin Street Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Dundas Street Centre Methodist Sunday School, all of London; also, of the W. C. T. U., Ridgeway; also, of the Epworth League, Columbus; also, of the Women's Institute, Queenston; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Alma; also, of the Bethel Congregation, Pilkington; also, of the

Congregational Sabbath School; also, of the Young Men's Club, all of Alton; also, of the Union Sunday School, Peninsular Canal; also, of the Epworth League, Luton; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Corinth; also, of the Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Dunboyne; also, of the Baptist Sunday School; also, of the Baptist Church, all of Springfield; also, of the Sunday School of the Methodist Church; also, of the Adult Bible Class; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Eden; also, of the Watching Circle of the King's Daughters; also, of the Young People's Alliance of the Centennial Church, all of Stratford; also, of the Sunday School, Bethel; also, of the Baptist Sunday School, Cornwall; also, of the Sunday School, Riceville; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, Fournier; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Rockwood; also, of the Epworth League, Terra Nova; also, of the Methodist Church, Honeywood; also, of the Young People's Guild, Black's Corners; also, of the Sunshine Methodist Church, The Maples; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Laurel; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Wheatley; also, of the Trustee Board of the Ebenezer Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League, all of Verschoyle; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, Cookstown; also, of the Park Street Baptist Church, Peterborough; also, of the Epworth League Bridgenorth, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor Licence Act, respecting majority rule.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy,

Resolved, That notwithstanding that the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills has elapsed, leave be given to present a Petition of Michael P. Davis, and others, of Ottawa, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the Lake Superior and Long Lake Railway and Transportation Company, and that the same be now read and received.

The following Petition was then read and received :—

Of Michael P. Davis, and others, of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Lake Superior and Long Lake Railway and Transportation Company.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 171), intituled "An Act respecting Truancy and Compulsory School Attendance." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 172), intituled "An Act respecting High Schools and Collegiate Institutes." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 173), intituled "An Act respecting Public Schools." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 34), Respecting Merchants' Fire Insurance Company.

Bill (No. 49), To confirm By-laws Nos. 815 and 250 of the City of Chatham.

Bill (No. 32), Respecting the Canadian Casualty and Boiler Insurance Company.

Bill (No. 7), Respecting St. John's Church, Ancaster.

Bill (No. 24), To provide for the incorporation of the Board of Trustees of the Bruce Mines Hospital, and for other purposes.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carnegie reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 19). Respecting the Municipality of Neebing, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr Carnegie reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. McPherson, seconded by Mr. Gooderham,

Ordered, That there be laid before the House a Return from the Master of Titles under the Land Titles Act for the last three years, showing:—1. Number of absolute and qualified entries of ownership. 2. Number of possessory entries of ownership. 3. Amount added to the Assurance Fund. 4. Total amount

of Assurance Fund. 5. The accumulated interest from time to time added. 6. Total losses charged against Assurance Fund. 7. Number of transfers. 8. Number of mortgages. 9. Number of leases. 10. Amount of fees received. 11. Salaries and other expenses of management. 12. Amount paid by the City of Toronto and County of York to make up deficits in running expenses during the last ten years.

The House then adjourned at 3.40 p.m.

Tuesday, 16th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Commissioners of Estate Bills, their Report in the following case:—

Bill (No. 58), Respecting the Jesse Ketchum Trust; the Upper Canada Bible Society, and the Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned, two of the Commissioners of Estate Bills, have had under consideration Bill (No. 58), An Act respecting the Jesse Ketchum Trust; the Upper Canada Bible Society, and the Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society, and the Petition therefor, and have the honour to report as follows:—

The undersigned observe that the proposals contained in the first and second sections of the enacting part of the Bill are not founded upon any failure in the objects of the Trust intended by the donor, as set forth in the Bond or Instrument scheduled to the Bill, either as regards the purposes which it was his manifest design to encourage, or the numbers of those intended to be benefited, *viz.*, children in attendance at the Public and Sabbath Schools of the City of Toronto. On the contrary, it is proposed to extend the operation of the Trust to other bodies and other classes of children, and to adopt other methods of distribution than those contemplated, provided for, and secured to the objects of the donor's benevolence.

The undersigned are unable to perceive any good grounds for the proposed departures from the evidently carefully settled scheme of the donor, and they are of opinion that it is not reasonable that the enactments proposed by the said first and second sections of the Bill should become law.

The undersigned see no objection to the granting of the power to erect buildings and borrow money proposed to be conferred as in the third and fourth

sections of the Bill set forth, and they are of opinion, that presuming the allegations relating to this portion of the Bill contained in the Preamble to be proved to the satisfaction of Your Honourable House, it is reasonable that so much of the Bill as is contained in the said third and fourth sections thereof should pass into law, and that the provisions of the said sections are proper for carrying these purposes into effect.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Dated March 16th, 1909.

CHARLES MOSS, C.J.O.
JOHN J. MACLAREN, J.A.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 58), Respecting the Jesse Ketchum Trust, the Upper Canada Bible Society, and the Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estate Bills thereon.

Mr. Speaker also informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board, appointed to enquire into Bills for the consolidation of a floating debt, or, for the consolidation, or renewal, of debentures (other than local improvement debentures), of a Municipal Corporation, their Report in the following case :—

Bill (No. 9), To confirm By-law No. 251 of the Township of Springer.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows :—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned have had under consideration Bill (No. 9), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 251 of the Township of Springer," and the Petition therefor.

The Board have made enquiry into the allegations set out in the Bill and into all other matters which the Board deem necessary in connection therewith, and beg to report that it is reasonable that such Bill do pass into law.

Dated this 15th day of March, A. D. 1909.

JAMES LEITCH, Chairman.
A. B. INGRAM, Vice-Chairman.
H. N. KITSON, Member.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 9), To confirm By-law No. 151 of the Township of Springer, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Railway and Municipal Board thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of Knox Church, Winchester Springs.

By Mr. Reaume, the Petition of the B. Y. P. U., Windsor.

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Port Lambton.

By Mr. McNaught, the Petition of the City Council of Toronto.

By Mr. Gooderham, the Petition of the Metropolitan Church Epworth League, Toronto.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of Knox Sunday School; also, the Petition of Knox Church, all of Gravenhurst; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Uffington; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, Whitby.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Woodham.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of the Ebenezer Methodist Sunday School, Verschoyle; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Otterville; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Brownsville.

By Mr. Mackay (Oxford), the Petition of the Epworth League, Hickson.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Methodist Society; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Session of Knox Church, all of Bancroft.

By Mr. Hoyle, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Sebright; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Zephyr.

By Mr. Paul, the Petition of the Sunday School, Wensley; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Tamworth; also, the Petition of the Epworth League Sillsville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Harlowe.

By Mr. Thompson (Peterborough), the Petition of the Epworth League, Lakefield.

By Mr. Reed (Wentworth), the Petition of the Trustee Board; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, all of Tweedside; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Winona; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Tapleytown; also, the Petition of the Official Board; also, the Petition of the Sunday School Board; also the Petition of the Ladies' Aid Executive, all of Trinity; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church, Glandford.

By Mr. McCowan, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Unionville.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Lonsdale.

By Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), the Petition of the Methodist Church, North Augusta; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Salem; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Gosford; also, the Petition of the S. O. T., Prescott.

By Mr. McGarry, the Petition of the S. O. T., Northcote; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Eganville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Mission, Calabogie; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Byers Appointment; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Renfrew.

By Mr. Smellie, the Petition of the Shiloh Methodist Church, Elizabethtown.

By Mr. Paul, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Tichborne.

By Mr. Clarke (Northumberland), the Petition of the Ladies' Mission Circle of the Baptist Church, Cobourg.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Petition of the Township Council of East Williams; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, all of Sylvan.

By Mr. Morel, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, all of Englehart.

By Mr. Reid (Renfrew), the Petition of the Evangelical Association Young People's Alliance; also, the Petition of the Evangelical Association, all of Pembroke.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of A. G. Porteous, and others, of Cornwall.

By Mr. Fripp, the Petition of the King's Daughters, Ottawa.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Presbyterian Congregation, Peabody; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Salem Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Salem Methodist Sunday School, all of Priceville.

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Horning's Mills.

By Mr. Pharand, the Petition of the Session of Knox Church, Vankleek Hill.

By Mr. McCormick, the Petition of the Sabbath School and Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Congregation of the Methodist Church, all of Shetland.

By Mr. Truax, the Petition of the Congregation of the Church of England, Teeswater.

By Mr. Musgrove, the Petition of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, all of Blyth.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Mount Pleasant Sunday School, Hallowell.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of John Richmond, and others, of Kent; also, the Petition of Salem Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Bible Class of of Salem Church; also, the Petition of the Ladies' Aid Society, all of Romney; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Mitchell's Bay.

By Mr. Fisher, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Fairfield Plains; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Cathcart.

By Mr. Nixon, the Petition of Wesley Epworth League, Snider's Corners.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Dominion Alliance, Toronto, praying that an Act may pass, enfranchising all women.

Of W. M. German, and others, of Big Creek, praying for certain amendments to the Game Act.

Of the Township Council of Thorold; also, of the Township Council of Willoughby, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of the Methodist Sabbath School, Redwing; also, of the Men's Brotherhood of Bethany; also, of the Session of Bethany Presbyterian Church, all of Ottawa; also, of the Epworth League, Toronto; also, of the Dublin Street Sunday School, Guelph; also, of the Y. W. C. T. U., Belleville; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Bancroft; also, of the Methodist Church, Ridgeway; also, of the Baptist Church, Fonthill; also, of the Moral Reform Society, Thorold; also, of the Epworth League, Bridgeburg; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Lakehurst; also, of the Methodist Mission, Eau Claire; also, of the Methodist Church, Carmel; also, of the Session of Willis Presbyterian Church, Clinton; also, of the Officers of the Sunday School, Hacketts; also, of the Baptist Church; also, of the Young People's Society of the Baptist Church, all of Vittoria; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, St. Williams; also, of the Men's Adult Bible Class, Mountain View; also, of the Adult Bible Class, Bethel; also, of the Methodist Church, Woodham; also, of the Bethel Sunday School, Munro; also, of the R. T. of T., Deseronto, severally praying for cerain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Hoyle, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Petitions and find the notices as published in each case sufficient.

Of the Township Council of Etobicoke, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the instalment of a sewage disposal plant, or system ; to empower the issue of bonds and debentures and the acquisition of a site, and for other purposes.

Of the City Council of Kingston, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 11, (1909), *re* Conveyance of certain land to the Canadian Locomotive Company, Limited.

Of J. A. Jackson, and others, of Dereham, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Tillsonburg and Southern Counties Railway Company.

Of the Village Council of Port Elgin, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain debentures issued by the Corporation under By-law No. 482.

Of the Town Council of Owen Sound, praying that an Act may pass exempting from taxation, except for local improvements, certain property of the Owen Sound Young Men's Christian Association.

Of the Town Council of Cornwall, praying that an Act may pass to validate debentures issued under By-law No. 22, of the year 1906, and By-law No. 8, of 1907, granting a bonus of $20,000 to the Modern Bedstead Company, Limited.

Of the Township Council of York, praying that an Act may pass declaring that the Municipality shall be authorized to expropriate, or otherwise acquire, from the Toronto Cemetery Company, sufficient land for the purpose of opening up a highway from north to south through the cemetery.

Of the City Council of London, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By-laws to amend the Water Works Act ; to authorize the submission of a By-law to the people, and for other purposes.

Of J. O. McGregor, and others, of Waterdown praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Des Jardins Inter-Urban Railway Company.

Of Thomas Joseph Foster, and others, of Richards Landing, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Sault Ste. Marie and St. Joseph's Island Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of Blenheim, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm certain By-laws and the Debentures issued thereunder.

Of the City Council of St. Catharines, praying that an Act may pass to ratify and confirm By-law No. 1995, relating to the Whitman Barnes Manufacturing Company.

Of John Knox Lindsay, and others, of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to reform the Trust Deed of the Tabernacle Church of Toronto with respect to the terms of disposal of the purchase money in the event of the sale of the church.

Of the Town Council of Aurora, praying that an Act may pass authorizing an issue of debentures to meet the Floating Debt of the Municipality.

Mr. Cochrane, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively.

Bill (No. 15), To incorporate the Cobourg, Peterborough and Kawartha Lakes Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 26), To incorporate the Cobourg, Port Hope and Havelock Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 29), To amend the Act to incorporate the Morrisburg Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 22), Respecting the Ontario Inter-urban Railway Company.

Your Committee have amended the Preambles to the Bills so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to your Committee.

Your Committee have also amended the Title to Bill (No 15), so that it now reads " An Act to incorporate the Cobourg Radial Railway Company."

Your Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of Your Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving Reports from Committees relative to Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Friday, the 26th day of March instant.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports from the Standing Committees on Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Friday, the 26th day of March instant.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 141), intituled " An Act respecting the City of Ottawa." Mr. Fripp.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 158), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Ottawa." Mr. Fripp.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 159), intituled "An Act respecting the establishment, in the City of Ottawa, of a Hospital or Sanatorium for the reception, care and treatment of persons suffering from Tuberculosis." Mr. Fripp.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 31), intituled "An Act respecting the Township of Etobicoke." Mr. Godfrey.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 37), intituled "An Act to validate and confirm a certain By-law of the City of Kingston." Mr. Nickle.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 39), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Tillsonburg and Southern Counties Radial Railway Company." Mr. Brower.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 138), intituled "An Act respecting the Village of Port Elgin." Mr. Bowman.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 57), intituled "An Act respecting the Owen Sound Young Men's Christian Association." Mr. MacKay (Grey.)

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 118), intituled "An Act respecting the town of Cornwall." Mr. McCart.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 142), intituled "An Act respecting the Township of York." Mr. McCowan.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 52), intituled "An Act respecting the City of London." Mr. Neely.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills

Bill (No. 27), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Des Jardins Inter-Urban Railway Company." Mr. Downey.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 59), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Sault Ste. Marie and St. Joseph Island Railway Company." Mr. Grigg.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 45), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Blenheim." Mr. Bowyer.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 48), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 1995 of the City of St. Catharines." Mr. Jessop.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 160), intituled "An Act respecting the Trusts of the conveyance of certain lands to Trustees for the Tabernacle Church." Mr. McNaught.

Referred to the Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Bill (No. 133), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Brantford." Mr. Brewster.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 175), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Fripp.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 176), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Health Act." Mr. McGarry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 177), intituled "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles." Mr. Craig.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the seeond time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 178), intituled "An Act to amend the Separate Schools Act." Mr. McGarry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That this House doth ratify and confirm certain Agreements in duplicate made on the Fifteenth day of February, 1909, by and between the Kinleith Paper Company, Limited, of the City of St. Catharines; the Canada Paper Company, Limited, of Toronto, and the Ritchie and Ramsey, Limited, of Toronto, and His Majesty the King, represented by the Honourable the Provincial Treasurer, conditioned for the supply of printing paper required by the Government for the term of three years, computed from the First day of January, 1909.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 128), For the better Administration of Justice; to lessen the number of Appeals and the cost of Litigation, and for other purposes.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 157), To amend an Act passed in the Seventh year of His Majesty's Reign, chaptered 19, intituled "An Act to provide for the transmission of Electrical Power to Municipalities;" to validate certain contracts entered into with the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, and for other purposes.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 136), Respecting Boards of Education.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 135), Respecting the Acquisition of Lands for School Purposes.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 149), To regulate the Means of Egress from Public Buildings.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 171), Respecting Truancy and Compulsory School Attendance.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 172), Respecting High Schools and Collegiate Institutes.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 161), Respecting certain Municipal By-laws and Agreements.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 139), Respecting the Ontario Veterinary College, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 140), To amend the Act respecting Stationary Engineers, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1909 the following sums:—

3.	To defray the expenses of the Attorney-General's Department	$ 53,300 00
4.	To defray the expenses of the Education Department	$ 24,592 71
5.	To defray the expenses of the Lands, Forests and Mines Department	$102,821 74
6.	To defray the expenses of the Public Works Department	$ 48,482 79
7.	To defray the expenses of the Treasury Department	$ 27,080 22
8.	To defray the expenses of the Provincial Auditor's Office	$ 10,816 70
9.	To defray the expenses of the Provincial Secretary's Department	$132,016 00
10.	To defray the expenses of the Department of Agriculture	$ 46,794 76
11.	To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous	$ 16,800 04
12.	To defray the expenses of Legislation	$239,832 77
13.	To defray the expenses of Administration of Justice, Salaries and Expenses	$161,108 66
14.	To defray the expenses of Administration of Justice, Miscellaneous	$251,230 69
15.	To defray the expenses of Administration of Justice in Districts	$137,994 68
16.	To defray the expenses of Public and Separate Schools	$874,651 64
17.	To defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Toronto	$ 36,274 00
18.	To defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa	$ 38,144 00
19.	To defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, London	$ 21,995 00
20.	To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Hamilton	$ 17,018 00
21.	To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Peterborough.	$ 16,968 00
22.	To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Stratford	$ 17,502 00
23.	To defray the expenses of the Normal School, North Bay	$ 18,350 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Provincial Board of Health, for the year of 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 36.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Wednesday, 17th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Wyoming; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Port Lambton.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Claremont.

By Mr. McDougal, the Petition of the Welcome Zion Congregational Church, Ottawa.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of the Tenth Line Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Tenth Line Epworth League, all of Harwich; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Morpeth.

By Mr. Dargavel, the Petition of the Epworth League, Elgin.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the Epworth League, Goldstone; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Huttonsville; also, the Petition of the Ladies' Bible Class, Streetsville.

By Mr. Galna, the Petition of the Public School Trustees; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Golden Valley.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Sharbot Lake; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church, Battersea.

By Mr. Bradburn, the Petition of the Township Council of Ennismore.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Epworth League, Fairview.

By Mr. Morel, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Englehart.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Bible Class, all of Grimsby; also, the Petition of the W.C.T.U., Niagara-on-the-Lake.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Session of St. Andrew's Church, Maynooth.

By Mr. Mackay (Oxford), the Petition of Brown's Methodist Sunday School, Nissouri.

By Mr. McCormick, the Petition of the Epworth League, Shetland.

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Epworth League, Orangeville.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Epworth League, Bethel.

By Mr. Preston (Rainy River), the Petition of the Brotherhood of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Port Arthur; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Barwick; also, the Petition of the I. O. G. T., Kenora.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Wheatley.

By Mr. Pharand, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Cassburn.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of the Baptist Church; also, the Petition of the Temperance Local Option Association, all of Cardoc; also, the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Middlemiss.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Alliston.

By Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), the Petition of the Women's Missionary Auxilliary, Merrickville.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the W. C. T. U., Winchester; also, of the Temperance and Moral Reform Association, Iroquois; also, of the W. C. T. U., Smith's Falls; also, of the First Baptist Church; also, of the First Baptist Sunday School, all of Markham; also, of the Baptist Church; also, of the Baptist Sunday School, all of Whitevale; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Columbus; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Shannonville; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Melrose; also, of Bethany Young People's Association, Ottawa; also, of the Sunday School Association, Hallowell; also, of the Sunday School, Mountain View; also, of the Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Woodham, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 180), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Gallagher.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 181), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Bradburn.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 182), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Bowyer.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

Bill (No. 183), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Municipal Securities Act." Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Truax,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, a Return shewing:—1. All advertisements, specifications, etc., upon which tenders were asked for the construction of the Hydro-Electric transmission line or any part thereof, or for transforming stations and stepping-down plants. 2. All tenders received. 3. All contracts entered into consequent thereon. 4. All Orders-in-Council dealing with the same, or any of them.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting Penalties under the Act relating to the Means of Egress from Public Buildings.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That any person offending against any of the provisions of the Act to regulate the means of Egress from Public Buildings, save sections 7 and 11, and any person offending against any of the Regulations of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council passed thereunder, shall, on summary conviction, be liable to a fine of not less than $50 nor more than $200 with costs, and a further fine of $25 *per diem* during the time after conviction which such offence continues, and in default of immediate payment, the offender shall be imprisoned in the common gaol of the county where such conviction takes place for a period not exceeding three months. That in cities, towns and incorporated villages, it shall be the duty of the Chief Constable, or Chief of Police, to enforce the provisions of the Act and the Regulations passed thereunder, and such officers neglecting the performance of such duties, shall, on summary conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding $50 and costs. That all penalties recovered under the Act shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Province of Ontario for the use of the Province.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported the Resolutions as follows:—

Resolved, That any person offending against any of the provisions of the Act to regulate the Means of Egress from Public Buildings, save sections 7 and 11, and any person offending against any of the Regulations of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council passed thereunder, shall, on summary conviction, be liable to a fine of not less than $50 nor more than $200 with costs, and a further fine of $25 *per diem* during the time after conviction which such offence continues, and in default of immediate payment the offender shall be imprisioned in the common gaol of the county where such conviction takes place for a period not exceeding three months. That in cities, towns and incorporated villages, it shall be the duty of the Chief Constable, or Chief of Police, to enforce the provisions of the Act and the Regulations passed thereunder, and such officers neglecting the performance of such duties, shall, on summary conviction, be liable to a fine not exceeding $50 and costs. That all penalties recovered under the Act shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Province of Ontario for the use of the Province.

The Resolutions having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 149), To regulate the Means of Egress from Public Buildings.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 15), To incorporate the Cobourg Radial Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 26), To incorporate the Cobourg, Port Hope and Havelock Electric Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 29), To amend the Act to incorporate the Morrisburg Electric Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 22), Respecting the Ontario Inter-Urban Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 131), To amend the Public Schools Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 144), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 146), To amend the Municipal Light and Heat Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 150), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 152), To amend the Act respecting Statute Labour.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 155), To improve and make certain, Tax Titles.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 156), To repeal the Act respecting Boards of Education in certain cities and to provide for the election and appointment of a Public School Board, High School Board and Technical School Board respectively.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 164), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 165), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 166), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 143), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 162), To amend the Assessment Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 66), To provide prompt punishment for Personation at Elections for the Legislative Assembly, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 76), Respecting County and District Judges and Local Courts, and, after some time

spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 135), Respecting the Acquisition of Lands for School Purposes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 149), To regulate the Means of Egress from Public Buildings, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1909, the following sums:—

24. To defray the expenses of Collegiate Institutes and High Schools	$147,000 00
25. To defray the expenses of the Museum and Library	$ 15,722 00
26. To defray the expenses of Public Libraries, Art Schools, Literary and Scientific	$ 55,185 00
27. To defray the expenses of Technical Education	$ 28,600 00
28. To defray the expenses of Superannuated Public and High School Teachers	$ 65,650 00

29.	To defray the expenses of Provincial University and Mining Schools	$ 43,215 78
30.	To defray the Miscellaneous expenses of Education	$ 35,789 00
31.	To defray the expenses of Education for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville	$ 51,905 00
32.	To defray the expenses of Education, Blind Institute, Brantford	$ 37,387 00
33.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Brockville	$ 94,595 00
34.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Cobourg	$ 23,469 00
35.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Hamilton	$141,354 00
36.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Kingston	$101,660 00
37.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, London	$137,824 00
38.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Mimico	$ 85,956 00
39.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Orillia	$ 73,985 00
40.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Penetanguishene	$ 58,689 00
41.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Toronto	$131,746 00
42.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Woodstock	$ 30,918 00
43.	To defray the expenses of the Central Prison, Toronto	$ 59,780 00
44.	To defray the expenses of the Central Prison Industries	$ 54,642 00
46.	To defray the expenses of Agricultural Societies, etc.	$107,994 00
47.	To defray the expenses of Live Stock Branch	$ 19,278 00
48.	To defray the expenses of Farmer's Institutes	$ 28,375 00
49.	To defray the expenses of the Bureau of Industries	$ 4,600 00
50.	To defray the expenses of Dairies	$ 48,875 00
51.	To defray the expenses of Fruit, Vegetables, Honey and Insects	$ 37,898 00
52.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Veterinary College	$ 19,600 00
53.	To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous	$ 50,250 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Minister of Education, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

The House then adjourned at 6.20 p.m.

Thursday, 18th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board, appointed to enquire into Bills for the consolidation of a floating debt, or, for the consolidation, or renewal, of debentures (other than local improvement debentures), of a Municipal Corporation, their Reports in the following cases :—

Bill (No. 30), Respecting certain Debts of the Town of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Town of Smith's Falls.

Bill (No. 141), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

The several Reports were then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

In the matter of Bill (No. 30), intituled "An Act respecting certain Debts of the Town of Sarnia.

The Board has made enquiry into the allegations set out in the Bill and into all other matters which the Board deem necessary in connection therewith, and beg to report that it is reasonable that such Bill do pass into law.

The Board however, find that the following alterations should be made in the Bill :—

That the Bill should provide for a sinking fund for the payment of the debentures at their maturity, and that such sinking fund should be paid to the Provincial Treasurer in pursuance of the Municipal Securities Act of 1908.

JAMES LEITCH, Chairman.
Dated this 18th day of March, A. D. 1909. A. B. INGRAM, Vice-Chairman.
H. N. KITSON, Member.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned have had under consideration Bill (No. 42), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Smith's Falls," and the Petition therefor.

The Board has made enquiry into the allegations set out in the Bill and into all other matters which the Board deem necessary in connection therewith, and beg to report that it is reasonable that such Bill do pass into law.

JAMES LEITCH, Chairman.
Dated this 18th day of March, A. D. 1909. A. B. INGRAM, Vice-Chairman.
H. N. KITSON, Member.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned has had under consideration Bill (No. 141), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Ottawa," and the Petition therefor.

The Board has made enquiry into the allegations set out in the Bill and into all other matters which the Board deem necessary in connection therewith, and beg to recommend that the figures "137.371.92" be substituted for the figures "130.000" in the seventh line of Section 4 of the said Bill. Also, that Section 10 of said Bill be struck out, and that it is reasonable, with such changes, that such Bill do pass into law.

JAMES LEITCH, Chairman.
Dated this 18th day of March, A. D. 1909. A. B. INGRAM, Vice-Chairman.
H. N. KITSON, Member.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 30), Respecting certain Debts of the Town of Sarnia; Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Town of Smith's Falls, and Bill (No. 141), Respecting the City of Ottawa, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Railway and Municipal Board thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, two Petitions of the Rowena Methodist Church, Matilda.

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Devine Street Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Central Methodist Sunday School, all of Sarnia.

By Mr. McNaught, the Petition of the Broadway Methodist Tabernacle Sunday School.

By Mr. Downey, the Petition of the Township Council of Puslinch; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Bible Class, all of Salem; also, the Petition of the Men's Association, Norfolk Street Methodist Church, Guelph.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board, Inverary.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Fairview.

By Mr. Morel, the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School, North Bay.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of the Sabbath School; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, all of Housey's Rapids.

By Mr. Mackay, (Oxford), the Petition of the Township Council of Blenheim; also, the Petition of the Methodist Adult Bible Class, Drumbo.

By Mr. Reid (Renfrew), the Petition of the Methodist Church, Bromley; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., all of Westmeath

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Sabbath School, Corbettown.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Christian Church, Little Britain.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Epworth League, Cherry Valley.

By Mr. Dargavel, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Elgin and Philipsville.

By Mr. Anderson, the Petition of Mount Carmel Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Mount Carmel Adult Bible Class, all of Leamington; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Amherstburg; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, all of Arner.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Cornwall; also, the Petition of the Advent Christian Church, Osnabruck Centre.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Y. M. B. C., Whitby.

By Mr. McCormick, the Petition of the Members of the Wesley Church, Cairo.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of the Sunday School, Wheatley.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the Methodist School, Streetsville.

By Mr. Clarke (Northumberland), the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School, Cobourg.

By Mr. Pharand, the Petition of the Board of Managers of Knox Church, Vankleek Hill.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Chalmer's Church Sabbath School, Heady; also, the Petition of Division No. 96, S. O. T.; also, the Petition of the Women's Institute, all of Vandeleur.

By Mr. Pattinson, the Petition of the R. T. of T., Preston.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Roslin.

By Mr. McElroy, the Petition of the Epworth League, Kars; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Congregation, North Gower; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Richmond; also, the Petition of the Epworth League; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, all of Malakoff.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of Joseph Abell, and others, of Kincardine; also, the Petition of C. C. Abbott, and others, of Stratford; also, the Petition of John Kibble, and others, of Elora; also, the Petition of the Reverend G. W. Andrews, and others, of Springfield; also, the Petition of R. W. Wardrope, and others, of Woodstock; also, the Petition of G. M. Jervis, and others, of Cobourg; also, the Petition of H. Hume, and others, of Port Hope; also, the Petition of Joseph A. Brown, and others, of Durham; also, the Petition of Charles J. Stodgell, and others, of Walkerville; also, the Petition of E. W. P. Jones, and others, of Brantford; also, the Petition of James Symmington, and others, of Port Dover; also, the Petition of Captain E. A. Morden, and others, of Oakville; also, the Petition of W. S. Herrington, and others, of Napanee; also, the Petition of M. D. McTaggart, and others, of Clinton; also, the Petition of E. Palmer, and others, of Grimsby; also, the Petition of George Vickers, and others, of Barrie; also, the Petition of Thomas Thauburn, and others, of Brampton; also, the Petition of J. P. Jaffray, and others, of Galt; also, the Petition of J. T. Mitchell, and others, of Goderich.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the City Council of Toronto, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act.

Of John Richmond, and others, of Kent, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act, so as to exempt farm buildings from taxation.

Of the Township Council of East Williams, praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of A S. Porteous, and others, of Cornwall, praying that the House will enact such Legislation to prevent the opening of Public Houses where intoxicating liquors may be procured, within a distance of three miles of the outside boundary of any Village, Town or City.

Of Knox Church, Winchester Springs; also of the B. Y. P. U., Windsor; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League, all of Port Lambton; also, of the Knox Church Sunday School; also, of Knox Church, all of Gravenhurst; also, of the Methodist Church, Uffington; also, of the Adult Bible Class, Whitby; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Woodham; also, of the Ebenezer Methodist Sunday School, Verschoyle; also, of the Epworth League, Otterville; also, of the Epworth League, Brownsville; also, of the Epworth League, Hickson; also, of the Methodist Society; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church; also, of the Session of Knox Church, all of Bancroft; also, of the Metropolitan Church Epworth League, Toronto; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Sebright; also, of the Sunday School, Zephyr; also, of the Sunday School, Wensley; also, of the Ep-

worth League, Tamworth; also, of the Epworth League, Sillsville; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Harlowe; also, of the Epworth League, Lakefield; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Sunday School, all of Tweedside; also, of the Epworth League, Winona; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Tapleytown; also, of the Official Board; also, of the Sunday School Board; also, of the Ladies' Aid Executive, all of Trinity; also, of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church, Glanford; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Unionville; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Lonsdale; also, of Division No. 15, S. O. T., Prescott; also, of the Gosford Methodist Church; also, of the Salem Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Church, all of North Augusta; also, of the S. O. T., Northcote; also, of the Epworth League, Eganville; also, of the Methodist Mission, Calabogie; also, of the Sunday School, Byers Appointment; also, of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Renfrew; also, of the Shiloh Methodist Church; Elizabethtown; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Tichborne; also, of the Ladies' Mission Circle of the Baptist Church, Cobourg; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Sunday School, all of Sylvan; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Sunday School, all of Englehart; also, of the Young People's Alliance; also, of the Evangelical Association, all of Pembroke; also, of the King's Daughters, Ottawa; also, of the Presbyterian Congregation, Peabody; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Salem Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Salem Methodist Sunday School, all of Priceville; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Adult Bible Class, all of Horning's Mills; also, of the Session of Knox Presbyterian Church, Vankleek Hill; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School, all of Shetland; also, of the Church of England Congregation, Teeswater; also, of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church, all of Blyth; also, of the Mount Pleasant Sunday School, Hallowell; also, of the Salem Sabbath School; also, of the Bible Class; also, of the Ladies' Aid Society, all of Romney; also, of the Sunday School, Mitchell's Bay; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Fairfield Plains; also, of the Sunday School, Cathcart; also, of the Wesley Epworth League, Sniders Corners, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 163), intituled "An Act respecting the town of Aurora." Mr. Lennox.

Referred to the Railway and Municipal Board.

Bill (No. 112), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Simcoe Electric Railway and Power Company." Mr. Tudhope.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 182), intituled "An Act respecting the City of Port Arthur. Mr. Carrick.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 184), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Railway Act." Mr. McNaught.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 185), intituled "An Act to amend the Workmen's Compensation Act." Mr. Fraser.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Gamey, seconded by Mr. Downey.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 44), To authorize the Montreal Trust and Deposit Company to do business in the Province of Ontario, the Bill having been withdrawn by the promoters thereof.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1909, the following sums :—

54.	To defray the expenses of Agricultural College—Salaries and Expenses	$103,215 00
55.	To defray the expenses of Macdonald Institute and Hall	$ 28,449,00
56.	To defray the expenses of Forestry	$ 1,250 00
57.	To defray the expenses of Animal Husbandry, Farm and Experimental Feeding Department	$15,910 00
58.	To defray the expenses of Field Experiments	$ 10,065 00
59.	To defray the expenses of Experimental Dairy Department.	$ 7,522 00
60.	To defray the expenses of Dairy School	$ 8,165 00
61.	To defray the expenses of Poultry Department	$ 4,215 00
62.	To defray the expenses of Horticulture Department	$ 9,250 00
63.	To defray the expenses of Soil Physics Department	$ 1,000 00
64.	To defray the expenses of Mechanical Department	$ 867 00
66.	To defray the expenses of Stationary Engineers	$ 4,750 00
67.	To defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities	$341,950 00
68.	To defray the expenses of Maintenance and Repairs, Government House	$ 16,300 00
69.	To defray the expenses of Maintenance and Repairs, Parliament and Departmental Buildings	$ 73,335 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Friday, 19th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Commissioners of Estate Bills, their Reports in the following cases:—

Bill (No. 46), Respecting Knox Church Burying Ground.

Bill (No. 160), Respecting the Trusts of the conveyance of certain lands to Trustees for the Tabernacle Church.

The several Reports were then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned, two Commissioners of Estate Bills, have had under consideration Bill (No. 46), an Act respecting Knox Church Burying Ground, and the Petition therefor, and have the honour to report as follows:—

Under the circumstances alleged in the Preamble of the Bill, it would seem reasonable that power be given to the Trustees of Knox Church to sell or lease the lands referred to in the Bill, and, the Crown consenting, that the Trustees be empowered to apply the purchase money for the purposes mentioned in section 2 of the Bill. Before, however, the Trustees exercise such power, they should remove from the lands in question the remains of any persons buried there and inter them in some other burying ground, and for such purposes we advise that section 3 of the said Bill be struck out and the following sections added therefor:—

3. In the event of any bodies being found buried in the said lands, the said Trustees shall, before exercising any of the powers mentioned in section one of this Act, at their own expense, remove the same to some cemetery in or near to the said City of Toronto, and there re-erect any monuments or head stones now on the lands from which the remains shall have been so removed.

4. Upon the Trustees satisfying the Senior Judge of the County Court of the County of York for the time being, that they have removed from the said

lands and re-buried, as above directed, any of the remains which, with the exercise of reasonable diligence, they were able to find buried on the said lands, it shall be lawful for the said Judge to certify under his hand that all the said remains of the dead, so far as the same can be discovered, have been so removed, and such certificate shall be registered in the Registry Office for the Eastern Division of the City of Toronto, on the production thereof to the Registrar and the payment to him of one dollar, as a fee for such registration, and such certificate so registered shall be conclusive evidence that the said Trustees have removed from said lands all the remains there buried and which, by this Act, they are required to remove.

W. MULOCK, C. J. E. D.
R. C. CLUTE, J.

OSGOODE HALL,
18th March, 1909.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned have perused Bill (No. 160), intituled "An Act respecting the Trusts of the conveyance of certain lands to Trustees for the Tabernacle Church," and have the honour to report thereon as follows:—

1. It would appear that the Trustees had power to mortgage the property in question for the purpose of raising funds to erect a Church Building thereon, and therefore, that in the event of a sale of the property under the provisions of the Deed of Gift, the proceeds would probably be applicable in the first instance, in discharge of the incumbrance, and of anything which might properly be paid by the sureties or guarantors of the mortgage.

2. The Deed of Gift was made little more than three years ago, and it is reasonable that the grantor's consent should, if possible, be obtained, or some explanation given, why this cannot be done.

3. The Deed requires that the proceeds of the sale shall be donated to a Foreign Missionary Society, the discretion of the Trustees as to the selection of the particular Society of that kind being absolute. The Bill proposes to limit the gift to a non-denominational Foreign Missionary Society. No reason appears why the Trust should be interfered with in this respect.

4. Subject to the foregoing, and presuming the allegations in the Preamble to be proved to the satisfaction of Your Honourable House, it is reasonable (even though possibly unnecessary for the protection of the Trustees) that the Bill do pass into law.

5. The provisions of the Bill, with the slight changes we have made in the language, are proper for carrying its purposes into effect.

All which is respectfully submitted.

F. OSLER, J. A.
J. T. GARROW, J. A.
Commissioners of Estate Bills.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 46), Respecting Knox Church Burying Ground, and Bill (No. 160), Respecting the Trust of the conveyance of certain lands to Trustees for the Tabernacle Church, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estate Bills thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the Christian Endeavour, Winchester Springs.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Local Option Association of Meaford.

By Mr. Clarke (Northumberland), the Petition of the Methodist Church, Alderville.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Meaford Road Sunday School, Flesherton.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of the W. F. M. Society, Housey's Rapids.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Sunday School, Avonton.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Bancroft.

By Mr. Dargavel, the Petition of the Free Methodist Sunday School, Westport.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Sabbath School, Cherry Valley.

By Mr. McCart, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Osnabruck Centre.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of the Sabbath School, Cashmere.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Township Council of Fenelon.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of the Wesley Epworth League, Charing Cross.

By Mr. Mackay, (Oxford), the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Richwood.

By Mr. Mayberry, the Petition of the Sunday School, Dereham Centre; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Norwich; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Norwich.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Petition of St. Andrew's Sunday School, Strathroy.

By Mr. Nickle, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Portsmouth.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Congregational Sunday School.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Spring Bay; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Livingstone Creek; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Highland; also, the Petition of the Friendship Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Iron Bridge; also, the Petition of St. Andrew's Congregation, Victoria Mines; also, the Petition of Budge's Sunday School, Manitowaning; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Leeburn; also, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Gordon Lake; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Prince; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Livingstone Creek; also, the Petition of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Markdale; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Tarentorus; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Tagone Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Men's Club, all of Sault Ste. Marie; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Shegiundah; also, the Petition of the Y. P. S. C. E., St. Andrew's Church, Silver Water; also, the Petition of the Methodist Epworth League, Thessalon; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Iron Bridge.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Township Council of Ennismore, praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of the Methodist Church, Port Lambton; also, of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Wyoming; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, all of Claremont; also, of the Welcome Zion Congregational Church, Ottawa; also, of the Tenth Line Sunday School; also, of the Tenth Line Epworth League, all of Harwich; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Morpeth; also, of the Epworth League, Elgin; also, of the Epworth League, Goldstone; also, of the Epworth League, Huttonsville; also, of the Ladies' Bible Class, Streetsville; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Public School Trustees, all of Golden Valley; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Sharbot Lake; also, of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church, Battersea; also, of the Epworth League, Fairview; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Englehart; also, of the Sunday School; also, of the Bible Class, all of Grimsby; also, of the W. C. T. U., Niagara-on-the-Lake; also, of the Session of St. Andrew's Church, Maynooth; also, of Brown's Methodist Sunday School, Nissouri; also, of the Epworth League, Shetland; also, of the Epworth League, Orangeville; also, of the Epworth League, Bethel; also, of the Brotherhood of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Port Arthur; also, of the Baptist Church, Barwick; also, of the I. O. G. T, Kenora; also, of the W. C. T. U., Wheatley; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Sunday School, all of Cassburn; also, of the Baptist Church; also, of the Temperance and Local Option Association, all of

Cardoc; also, of the Baptist Sunday School; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Middlemiss; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Alliston; also, of the Women's Missionary Auxilliary, Merrickville; severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Hoyle, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Seventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

Your Committee have carefully examined the following Petitions, and find the notices as published in each case sufficient.

Of the West End Branch of the Toronto Young Men's Christian Association, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate them.

Of George Macaulay Diehl Vankoughnet, of Glacier, B. C., by his solicitor, praying that an Act may pass to authorize and confirm the adoption, by Jules Napoleon Hamel and his wife, of an infant under the age of 21 years, and to ratify, confirm and declare valid and binding an Agreement to that effect.

Of the Ontario West Shore Electric Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to change the name of the Company, and to declare valid a certain contract with the Maitland River Power Company.

Of the Village Council of Tilbury, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Village as a Town.

Of the Stratford and St. Joseph Radial Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for commencement and completion of the road.

Of the Toronto Suburban Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for the commencement and completion of the several lines heretofore authorized to be constructed, and to authorize the running of cars on Sunday, and for other purposes.

Of Michael P. Davis, and others, of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Lake Superior and Long Lake Railway and Transportation Company.

Of the Canada Central Railway Company, praying that an Act may pass to extend the time for the completion of the road.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 170), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Toronto West End Young Men's Christian Association." Mr. McPherson.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 56), intituled "An Act respecting George Macaulay Diehl Vankoughnet." Mr. McPherson.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 25), intituled "An Act respecting the Ontario West Shore Electric Railway Company." Mr. Clark (Bruce.)

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 38), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of Tilbury." Mr. Sulman.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 54), intituled "An Act to extend the time to construct the Stratford and St. Joseph Radial Railway." Mr. Fripp.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 174), intituled "An Act to incorporate the Lake Superior and Long Lake Railway and Transportation Company." Mr. Carrick.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 179), intituled "An Act respecting the Toronto Suburban Railway Company." Mr. Godfrey.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 169), intituled "An Act respecting the Canada Central Railway Company." Mr. Pratt.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 186), intituled "The Fair Wages and Hours of Labour Regulation Act, 1909." Mr. Fripp.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 187), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Election Act and the Municipal Act, 1903." Mr. Fripp.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 188), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Health Act." Mr. Mahaffy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 189), intituled "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the speed and operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways." Mr. Ross (Middlesex.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 190), intituled "An Act to amend the General Road Companies Act." Mr. Ferguson (Grenville.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 191), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Brewster.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 192), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Companies for supplying Steam, Heat, Electricity, or Natural Gas for Heat, Light or Power." Mr. Brewster.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 193), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Brewster.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. McEwing, seconded by Mr. Racine.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing, for the year 1908, the taxation paid by the Railways in the Province to the Local Municipalities.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), seconded by Mr. Proudfoot.

Ordered, That as the Report of Mr. Starr, who was appointed a Commissioner to enquire into certain matters relating to liquor licenses in the City of Toronto, has not been printed for public distribution, the original Report be laid upon the Table of the House.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 108), To amend the Act of incorporation of the Ontario Veterinary Association.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Colonization.

Bill (No. 120), To amend the Unorganized Territory Act.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Colonization.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 129), Respecting Embalmers, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order of the Day be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Resolved, That on and after Monday next, and for each succeeding day for the remainder of the Session, Government Orders shall be upon the Order Paper and take precedence over all other business, except Private Bills.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 1), To incorporate the Eastern Ontario Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 36), Respecting the Dunnville, Wellandport and Beamsville Electic Railway Company.

Bill (No. 8), To incorporate the People's Railway Company.

Bill (No. 51), To incorporate the Belleville Radial Railway Company.

Bill (No. 40), To incorporate the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Electric Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1909, the following sums:—

71.	To defray the expenses at Osgoode Hall	$ 39,242 00
72.	To defray the expenses of Public Institutions	$194,610 00
73.	To defray the expenses of Educational Buildings	$ 99,335 00
74.	To defray the expenses of Agricultural Buildings	$ 82,432 50
75.	To defray the expenses of Buildings in Districts	$ 31,776 55
76.	To defray the expenses of Public Works	$154,885 49
77.	To defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, North Division	$144,374 39
78.	To defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, West Division	$ 32,050 00
79.	To defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, East Division	$ 84,999 00
80.	To defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, Temiskaming Division	$ 60,512 00

81. To defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, General $121,409 36
82. To defray the expenses of Charges on Crown Lands, outside service and Surveys $371,100 00
83. To defray the expenses of Mining Development ..... $ 94,359 36
84. To defray the expenses of expenditure on account of Parks $ 14,600 00
85. To defray the expenses of the Refund Account, on Education Account ..... $ 1,000 00
86. To defray the expenses of the Refund Account, on Crown Lands Account ..... $ 17,000 00
87. To defray the expenses of the Land Improvement Fund ..... $ 1,253 70
88. To defray Miscellaneous expenses, Refund Account ..... $ 12,000 00
89. To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Expenditure $283,950 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. McGarry reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

Mr. McGarry, from the Committee of Supply, reported the following Resolutions:—

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand nine hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-four cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Lieutenant-Governor's office, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand four hundred and fifty-eight dollars and thirty-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the office of the Prime Minister and President of the Council, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-three thousand three hundred dollars and ninety-three cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Attorney-General's Department, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-four thousand five hundred and ninety-two dollars and seventy-one cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Education, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and two thousand eight hundred and twenty-one dollars and seventy-four cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Lands, Forests and Mines, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-eight thousand four hundred and twenty-two dollars and seventy-nine cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Public Works, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand and eighty dollars and twenty-two cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Treasurer's Department, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand eight hundred and sixteen dollars and seventy cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Provincial Auditor's office, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty-two thousand and sixteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Provincial Secretary's Department, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-six thousand seven hundred and ninety-four dollars and seventy-six cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Agriculture, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand eight hundred dollars and four cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the Miscellaneous Expenses of Civil Government, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and thirty-nine thousand eight hundred and thirty-two dollars and seventy-seven cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-one thousand one hundred and eight dollars and sixty-six cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the salaries and expenses of the Administration of Justice, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty-one thousand two hundred and thirty dollars and sixty-nine cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the Miscellaneous Expenses of the Administration of Justice, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty-seven thousand nine hundred and ninety-four dollars and sixty-eight cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice in Districts, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred and seventy-four thousand six hundred and fifty-one dollars and sixty-four cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public and Separate Schools, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-six thousand two hundred and seventy-four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Toronto, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-eight thousand one hundred and forty-four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, London, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand and eighteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Hamilton, for ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand nine hundred and sixty-eight dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Peterborough, for ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand five hundred and two dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Stratford, for ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, North Bay, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-seven thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of High Schools and Collegiate Institutes, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand seven hundred and twenty-two dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Departmental Library and Museum, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-five thousand one hundred and eighty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Libraries, Art Schools, Literary and Scientific Institutions, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Technical Education, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-five thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Superannuated Public and High School Teachers, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-three thousand two hundred and fifteen dollars and seventy-eight cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Provincial University and Mining Schools, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-five thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the Miscellaneous Expenses of Maintenance of Education Department, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-one thousand nine hundred and five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand three hundred and eighty-seven dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Institution for the Blind at Brantford, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-four thousand five hundred and ninety-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane at Brockville, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-three thousand four hundred and sixty-nine dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane at Cobourg, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-one thousand three hundred and fifty-four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane at Hamilton, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and one thousand six hundred and six dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane at Kingston, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty-seven thousand eight hundred and twenty-four dollars be granted to His Majesty

to defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane at London, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty-five thousand nine hundred and fifty-six dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane at Mimico, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-three thousand nine hundred and eighty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for Idiots at Orillia, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-eight thousand six hundred and eighty-nine dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane at Penetanguishene, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty-one thousand seven hundred and forty-six dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane at Toronto, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand nine hundred and eighteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for Epileptics at Woodstock, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-nine thousand seven hundred and eighty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Central Prison, Toronto, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-four thousand six hundred and forty-two dollars be granted His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Central Prison Industries, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and seven thousand nine hundred and ninety-four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Agricultural and Horticultural Societies, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand two hundred and seventy-eight dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Live Stock Branch, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand three hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Farmers' Institutes, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Bureau of Industries, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-eight thousand eight hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Dairies Branch, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Fruit Branch, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Ontario Veterinary College, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the Miscellaneous Expenses of Agriculture, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and three thousand two hundred and fifteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Agricultural College, Salaries and Expenses, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand four hundred and forty-nine dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Macdonald Institute and Hall, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Forestry, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifteen thousand nine hundred and ten dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Animal Husbandry, Farm and Experimental Feeding Department, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand and sixty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Field Experiments, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand five hundred and twenty-two dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Experimental Dairy Department, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand one hundred and sixty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Dairy School, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand two hundred and fifteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Poultry Department, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

62. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Horticulture Department, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

63. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Soil Physics Department, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

64. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Eight hundred and sixty seven dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Mechanical Department, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

66. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Four thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Stationary Engineers, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

67. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and forty-one thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

68. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand three hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Maintenance and Repairs of Government House, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

69. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Seventy-three thousand three hundred and thirty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Maintenance and Repairs of Parliament and Departmental Buildings, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

71. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty-nine thousand two hundred and forty-two dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Buildings—Osgoode Hall—for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

72. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding one hundred and ninety-four thousand six hundred and ten dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

73. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Ninety-nine thousand three hundred and thirty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Educational Buildings, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

74. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Eighty-two thousand four hundred and thirty-two dollars and fifty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Buildings—Agriculture—for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand seven hundred and seventy-six dollars and fifty-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Buildings in Districts, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty-four thousand eight hundred and eighty-five dollars and forty-nine cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-four thousand three hundred and seventy-four dollars and thirty-nine cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, North Division, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-two thousand and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, West Division, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighty-four thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, East Division, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand five hundred and twelve dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads, Temiskaming Division, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-one thousand four hundred and nine dollars and thirty-six cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the General Expenses of Colonization Roads, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and seventy-one thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of charges on Crown Lands on account of outside service and Surveys, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ninety-four thousand three hundred and fifty-nine dollars and thirty-six cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Mining Development, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Parks, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Refund Account, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

86. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Refund Account, *re* Crown Lands, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

87. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred and fifty-three dollars and seventy cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Refund Account, *re* Land Improvement Fund, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

88. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Expenditure, Refund Account, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

89. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and eighty three thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Expenditure, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

The several Resolutions, having been again read, were concurred in.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1909, the following sums:—

45. To defray the expenses of the Andrew Mercer Reformatory.. $ 21,652 00
65. To defray the expenses of Colonization and Immigration ... $ 48,768 00
70. To defray the expenses of Public Buildings, Parliament Buildings $300,000 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. McGarry reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the report be received forthwith.

Mr. McGarry reported the following further Resolutions from the Committee of Supply:—

45. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Twenty-one thousand six hundred and fifty-two dollars be granted His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Andrew Mercer Reformatory for Women and Refuge for Girls, Toronto, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

65. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Forty-eight thousand seven hundred and sixty-eight dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization and Immigration, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

70. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Three hundred thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Parliament Buildings, for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

The several Resolutions, having been again read, were concurred in.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Minister of Public Works, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 6.*)

Also—Report on Highway Improvement, for the year 1909. (*Sessional Papers No. 31.*)

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Monday, 22nd March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Young Men's Brotherhood of the Central Methodist Church; also the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Sarnia.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, Minniehill; also, the Petition of the Sunday School of the Disciples Church, Kilsyth; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School, Redwing; also, the Petition of the Official Board of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Church of Christ, all of Meaford.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Severn Bridge.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of Almonds Sunday School, Whitby.

By Mr. Brewster, the Petition of the Wesley Methodist Church, Brantford; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Mount Pleasant.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Avonton.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of Cook's Church Sabbath School, Caradoc.

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Epworth League, Laurel.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the Men's Bible Class, Streetsville.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of Bethel Sabbath School, Sylvan Valley.

By Mr. Nickle, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Portsmouth.

By Mr. Godfrey, the Petition of the Board of Managers of the Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of the Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church, all of Mimico.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Eden; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church; also, the Petition of the Ladies' Aid of the Baptist Church, all of Goshen.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Township Council of Puslinch; also, of the Township Council of Blenheim, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of Joseph Abell, and others, of Kincardine; also, of C. C. Abbott, and others, of Stratford; also, of John Kibble, and others, of Elora; also, of the Reverend G. W. Andrews, and others, of Springfield; also, of R. W. Wardrope, and others, of Woodstock; also, of G. M. Jervis, and others, of Cobourg; also, of H. Hume, and others, of Port Hope; also, of Joseph A. Brown, and others, of Durham; also, of Charles J. Stodgell, and others, of Walkerville; also, of E. W. P. Jones, and others, of Brantford; also, of James Symington, and others, of Port Dover; also, of Captain E. A. Morden, and others, of Oakville; also, of W. S. Hewington, and others, of Napanee; also, of M. D. McTaggart, and others, of Clinton; also, of E Palmer, and others, of Grimsby; also, of George Vickers, and others, of Barrie; also, of Thomas Thauburn, and others, of Brampton; also, of J. P. Jaffray, and others, of Galt; also, of James Mitchell, and others, of Galt, severally praying that the Bill giving power to Municipal Councils to pass By-laws regulating the erection of Bill Boards may become law.

Two Petitions of the Rowena Methodist Church; also, of the Devine Street Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Central Methodist Sunday School, all of Sarnia; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Sunday School; also, of the Bible Class, all of Salem; also, of the Men's Association of the Methodist Church, Norfolk; also, of the Broadway Methodist Tabernacle Sunday School, Toronto; also, of the Adult Bible Class; also, of the Sabbath School, Housey's Rapids; also, of the Baptist Church, North Bay; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Fairview; also, of the Quarterly Official Board, Inverary; also, of the Adult Bible Class of the

Methodist Church, Drumbo; also, of the Methodist Church, Bromley; also, of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the W. C. T. U., all of Westmeath; also, of the Sabbath School, Corbetton; also, of the Christian Church, Little Britain; also, of the Epworth League, Cherry Valley; also, of the Methodist Church, Elgin and Philipsville; also, of the Mount Carmel Sunday School; also, of the Mount Carmel Adult Bible Class, all of Leamington; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Amherstburg; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Sunday School, Arner; also, of the Baptist Church, Cornwall; also, of the Advent Christian Church, Osnabruck Centre; also, of the Y. M. B. C., Whitby; also, of the Members of the Wesley Church, Cairo; also, of the Sunday School, Wheatley; also, of the Methodist School, Streetsville; also, of the Baptist Sunday School, Cobourg; also, of the Board of Managers of Knox Church, Vankleek Hill; also, of Chalmers Church Sabbath School, Heady; also, of Division No. 96, S. O. T.; also, of the Women's Institute, all of Vandeleur; also, of the R. T. of T., Preston; also, of the Methodist Church, Roslin; also, of the Epworth League, Kars; also, of the Presbyterian Congregation, North Gower; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Richmond; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Sunday School, all of Malakoff; severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 194), intituled "An Act to amend the Supplementary Revenue Act, 1907." Mr. Cochrane.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 195), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Burlington Beach." Mr. Cochrane.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 196), intituled "An Act to amend the Free Grants and Homestead Act." Mr. Cochrane.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 197), intituled "An Act to amend and improve the law respecting Mine Accidents and Operation of Mines." Mr. Cochrane.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 198), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Reaume.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 199), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Act." Mr. Elliott.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 200), intituled "An Act respecting the Department of Education." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 201), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. McEwing.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

Bill (No. 202), intituled "An Act to amend and extend the Land Titles Act." Mr. Mahaffy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 109), To amend the Judicature Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mahaffy reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 76), Respecting County and District Judges, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mahaffy reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 61), To amend the Judicature Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Reaume, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting development of Water Power at Dog Lake.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That Section 4 of the Act passed in the 8th year of His Majesty's reign, Chaptered 24, intituled "An Act to provide for the development of Water Power at Dog Lake," be amended by striking out the figures "$20,000" in the third line and substituting the figures "$40,000" therefor, and by adding after the word "Commission" in the last line of such section, the words, "or of the Department in charge of the work."

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mahaffy reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Mahaffy reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That Section 4 of the Act passed in the 8th year of His Majesty's reign, Chaptered 24, intituled "An Act to provide for the development of Water Power at Dog Lake," be amended by striking out the figures "$20,000" in the third line and substituting the figures "$40,000" therefor, and by adding after the word "Commission" in the last line of such section, the words, "or of the Department in charge of the work."

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 124), To amend the Act to provide for Development of Water Power at Dog Lake.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 124), To amend the Act to provide for Development of Water Power at Dog Lake, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mahaffy reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 15), To incorporate the Cobourg Radial Railway Company.

Bill (No. 26), To incorporate the Cobourg, Port Hope and Havelock Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 29), To amend the Act to incorporate the Morrisburg Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 22), Respecting the Ontario Inter-Urban Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mahaffy reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 171), Respecting Truancy and Compulsory Attendance, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mahaffy reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 183), To amend the Ontario Municipal Securities Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 168), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 184), To amend the Ontario Railway Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 177), To amend the Act to regulate the speed and operation of Motor Vehicles.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour The Lieutenant Governor :—

Report of the Inspector of Legal Offices. (*Sessional Papers No. 38.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.50 p.m.

Tuesday, 23rd March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board appointed to enquire into Bills for the consolidation of a floating debt, or, for the consolidation, or renewal, of debentures (other than local improvement debentures), of a Municipal Corporation, their Report in the following case :—

Bill (No. 10), To confirm By-Law No. 245 of the Town of Sturgeon Falls.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned have had under consideration Bill (No. 10), intituled "An Act to confirm By-law No. 245 of the Town of Sturgeon Falls," and the Petition therefor.

The Board have made enquiry into the allegations set out in the above Bill and into all other matters in connection therewith, and beg to report that it is not reasonable that such Bill should pass into law.

JAMES LEITCH, Chairman.
Dated this 23rd day of March, A. D. 1909. A. B. INGRAM, Vice-Chairman.
H. N. Kitson, Member.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Vyner.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Disciples Church, Kilsyth.

By Mr. Thompson (Peterborough), the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School, Peterborough.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Belleville.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Cherry Valley.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Bible Class, all of Kepler.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Whitevale.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the S. O. T., Avonton.

By Mr. Nesbitt, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Carman; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, all of Smithfield; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Colborne.

By Mr. Fisher, the Petition of the Township Council of Burford.

By Mr. Brewster, the Petition of the Epworth League of Wesley Methodist Church, Brantford.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of Morning Star Division, Sylvan Valley.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of the Epworth League, Tweed.

By Mr. Anderson, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Albuna; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Pelee Island.

By Mr. Tudhope, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Baptist Young People's Union; also, the Petition of the Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School, all of Orillia.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Petition of A. Mactavish, and others, of Parkhill; also, the Petition of John McLeod, and others; also, the Petition of William T. Sanderson, and others; also, the Petition of J. F. McKay, and others, all of McGillivray; also, the Petition of Mary Morrison, and others; also, the Petition of Thomas T. Thompson, and others; also, the Petition of John O'Hanley junior, and others; also, the Petition of John Nichols, and others, all of West Williams.

By Mr. McCormick, the Petition of Wesley Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, all of Cairo.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Epworth League, Vandeleur; also, the Petition of the Sabbath School, Normanby.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Hensell; also, the Petition of the Session of Union Church, Goderich Township.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Township Council of Fenelon, praying for the repeal of Section 660 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of the Christian Endeavour, Winchester Springs; also, of the Local Option Association, Meaford; also, of the Sunday School, Avonton; also, of the W. C. T. U., Bancroft; also, of the W. F. M. Society, Housey's Rapids; also, of the Methodist Church, Alderville; also, of the Meaford Road Sunday School, Flesherton; also, of the Sabbath School, Cherry Valley; also, of the Methodist Church, Osnabruck Centre; also, of the Sabbath School, Cashmere; also, of the Wesley Epworth League, Charing Cross; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Richwood; also, of the Sunday School, Dereham Centre; also, of the Methodist Church, Norwich; also, of the Epworth League, Brown's Corners; also, of St. Andrew's Sunday School, Strathroy; also, of the Methodist Church, Portsmouth; also, of the Congregational Sunday School, Barrie; also, of the Baptist Church, Spring Bay; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Sunday School, all of Livington Creek; also, of the Epworth League, Highland; also, of Friendship Bible Class; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Iron Bridge; also, of the St. Andrew's Congregation, Victoria Mines; also, of the Budge's Sunday School; Manitowaning; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Leeburn; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Gordon Lake; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Prince Township; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Markdale; also, of the Sunday School, Tarentonis; also, of the Lagone Methodist Church; also, of the Lagone Sunday School; also, of the Men's Club of the Central Methodist Church, all of Sault Ste. Marie; also, of the Sunday School, Shegundah; also, of the Y. P. S. C. E. of St. Andrew's Church, Silver Water; also, of the Methodist Epworth League, Thessalon; also, of the Methodist Church, Iron Bridge; severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 203), intituled "An Act respecting Public Libraries and Art Schools." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 204), intituled "An Act to regulate the Sale of Fire Arms." Mr. McPherson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 183), To amend the Ontario Municipal Securities Act, and, after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 157), To amend an Act passed in the Seventh year of His Majesty's Reign, chaptered 19, intituled "An Act to provide for the transmission of Electrical Power to Municipalities;" to validate certain contracts entered into with the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, and for other purposes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 128), For the better Administration of Justice; to lessen the number of Appeals and the Cost of Litigation, and for other purposes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6.10 p.m.

Wednesday, 24th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board, appointed to enquire into Bills for the consolidation of a floating debt, or, for the consolidation, or renewal, of debentures (other than local improvement debentures), of a Municipal Corporation, their Report in the following case:—

Bill (No. 13), To consolidate the Debenture Debt of the County of Middlesex.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows:—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

In the matter of Bill (No. 13), intituled "An Act to consolidate the Debenture Debt of the County of Middlesex."

The undersigned have had under consideration the above Bill, and after enquiry into the allegations set out therein, and into all other matters in connection therewith, beg to report to the House that it is reasonable that such Bill should pass into law with the following alterations:—

That the sum of $137,473.64 sinking fund, which is cash, or is represented by debentures of the County, which have been purchased with said sinking fund, should be deducted from the sum of $486,260.00 mentioned in the Bill, leaving the sum of $348,786.36 which should be substituted for the said sum of $486,260.00 mentioned in the Preamble and in sections 1 and 2 of the said Bill.

The Bill should also provide for a sinking fund sufficient for the payment of the renewal debentures amounting to $348,786.36 as they mature from time to time, and that such sinking fund should be paid to the Provincial Treasurer in terms of the "Municipal Securities Act, 1908."

JAMES LEITCH, Chairman.
A. B. INGRAM, Vice-Chairman.
H. N. KITSON, Member.

Dated this 24th day of March, A. D. 1909.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 13), To consolidate the Debenture Debt of the County of Middlesex, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Railway and Municipal Board thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Paul, the Petition of the Epworth League, Enterprise; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Wilton; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church, Centreville.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of the Camp, Sons of Scotland; also, the Petition of the Sabbath School; also, the Petition of L. O. L. No. 771, all of McCrimmon.

By Mr. Brower, the Petition of the Baptist Sabbath School, Eden.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Methodist Bible Class, Whitevale.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of the Epworth League, Guilds; also, the Petition of Knox Church, Stevenson; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Cedar Springs.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Petition of the Township Council of West Williams ; also, the Petition of James McWilliams, and others ; also, the Petition of J. W. Griffith, and others ; also, the Petition of Robert Brown, and others ; also, the Petition of Fred. J. Scott, and others ; also, the Petition of D. L. McCrea, and others ; also, the Petition of Angus Beattie, and others, all of West Williams.

By Mr. Bowman, the Petition of Knox Church, Tara ; also, the Petition of the Trustee Board of the Methodist Church ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Derbe ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League ; also, the Petition of the Council R. T. of T., all of Kincardine ; also, the Petition of the Church Board, Yarmouth ; also, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Church, Port Elgin ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Oliphant ; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Underwood ; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Wiarton ; also, the Petition of the Officers of the Baptist Church, Port Elgin.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Young Men's Brotherhood of the Central Methodist Church ; also, of the Epworth League, all of Sarnia ; also, of Almond's Sunday School, Whitby ; also, of the Bethel Adult Bible Class, Minniehill ; also, of the Sunday School of the Disciples' Church, Kilsyth ; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School, Redwing ; also, of the Official Board of the Methodist Church ; also, of the Sunday School of the Methodist Church ; also, of the Church of Christ, all of Meaford ; also, of the W. C. T. U., Severn Bridge ; also, of the Wesley Methodist Church, Brantford ; also, of the Epworth League, Mount Pleasant ; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Avonton ; also, of the Cook's Church Sabbath School, Caradoc ; also, of the Epworth League, Laurel ; also, of the Men's Bible Class, Streetsville ; also, of the Bethel Sabbath School, Sylvan Valley ; also, of the Home Mission of the Presbyterian Church ; also, of the Board of Managers of the Presbyterian Church, all of Mimico ; also, of the Baptist Church, Eden ; also, of the Baptist Church ; also, of the Ladies' Aid of the Baptist Church, all of Goshen, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and report the same without amendments.

Bill (No. 37), To validate and confirm a certain By-law of the City of Kingston.

Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Town of Smith's Falls.

Bill (No. 50), To amend the Act respecting the School of Mining and Agriculture at Kingston.

The Committee have also considered the following Bills, and report the same with amendments:—

Bill (No. 46), Respecting Knox Church Burying Ground.

Bill (No 58), Respecting the Jesse Ketchum Trust, the Upper Canada Bible Society, and the Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society.

Bill (No. 12), Respecting the property of the Salvation Army.

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the Town of Kenora.

Bill (No. 21), Respecting the Village of West Lorne.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bills Nos. 12, 46, and 58, on the ground that the same relate to religious institutions.

The Committee also recommend that the Title of Bill (No. 58), be amended to read, "An Act respecting the Upper Canada Bible Society and the Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society."

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 12), Salvation Army; Bill (No. 46), Knox Church; and Bill (No. 58), Upper Canada Bible Society.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 205), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Agricultural Societies." Mr. Duff.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 207), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Health Act." Mr. Wilson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

The following Bill was, *nemine contradicente*, introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 206), intituled "An Act to amend the Assessment Act." Mr. Eilber.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Friday next.

On motion of Mr. Studholme, seconded by Mr. Reed (Wentworth),

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return shewing :—1. How many Emigrants the Salvation Army brought out from Great Britain and Ireland during the season of 1908. 2. How many were male and how many female 3. How many were placed in the homes of the farmers of the Province of Ontario. 4. The names and addresses of the farmers, and if those so placed remained ; how long, with names and addresses of any still remaining. Also, shewing :—1. How many Emigrants the Government of this Province brought out from Great Britain and Ireland during the season of 1908. 2. How many were male and how many female. 3. How many were placed in the homes of the farmers of the Province of Ontario. 4. The names and addresses of the farmers, and if those so placed remained, and if so, how long ; with the names and addresses of any still remaining. Also, shewing :—1. How many farmers the Government induced to come to the Province of Ontario during the year 1908. 2. How many rented, leased, or purchased farms. 3. How many are still on the farms. If not, why. 5. Shewing any who took up Government land, and if so, if they purchased it or acquired it on the homesteading plan. 7. The names and addresses of such farmers.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 136), Respecting Boards of Education, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 194), To amend the Supplementary Revenue Act, 1907.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 195), To amend the Act respecting Burlington Beach.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 196), To amend the Free Grants and Homesteads Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 197), To amend and improve the Law respecting Mine Accidents and Operation of Mines.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 198), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 180), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 181), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 182), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 188), To amend the Public Health Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 189), To amend the Act to Regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 190), To amend the General Road Companies Act

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 191), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 199), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 201), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 151), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 128), For the better Administration of Justice; to lessen the number of Appeals and the Cost of Litigation, and for other purposes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The Order of the day for the second reading of Bill (No. 193), To amend the Municipal Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Entomological Society. for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 19.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

Thursday, 25th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Epworth League, Oxenden.

By Mr. Tudhope, the Petition of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Orillia.

By Mr. Dargavel, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Lombardy.

By Mr. Ferguson (Simcoe), the Petition of the Congregational Church ; also, the Petition of the Young People's Society of the Congregational Church, all of Barrie.

By Mr. Morel, the Petition of the Baptist Church ; also, the Petition of the B. Y. P. U., all of North Bay.

By Mr. Kohler, the Petition of the Township Council of Walpole.

By Mr. Fripp, the Petition of the Bell Street Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Ottawa.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of St. Andrew's Sunday School, Belleville.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Burford, praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of A. Mactavish, and others, of Parkhill ; also, of John McLeod, and others ; also, of William T. Sanderson ; also, of J. F. McKay, and others, all of McGillivray ; also, of Mary Morrison, and others ; also, of Thomas T. Thompson

and others; also, of John O'Hanley junior, and others; also, of John Nichols, and others, all of West Williams, severally praying for certain amendments to the Act regulating the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles.

Of the Presbyterian Church, Vyner; also, of the Sunday School; also, of the Bible Class, all of Kepler; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Whitevale; also, of the S. O. T., Avonton; also, of the Methodist Church, Carman; also, of the Methodist Sunday School; also, of the Methodist Church, all of Smithfield; also, of the Sunday School, Colborne; also, of the Disciples Church, Kilsyth; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School, Peterborough; also, of the W. C. T. U., Belleville; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Cherry Valley; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Brantford; also, of the Morning Star Division, Sylvan Valley; also, of the Epworth League, Tweed; also, of the Sunday School; also, of the Epworth League, all of Albuna; also, of the Methodist Church, Pelee Island; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Baptist Young People's Union; also, of the Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Church; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School, all of Orillia; also, of Wesley Sunday School; also, of the Adult Bible Class, all of Cairo; also, of the Epworth League, Vandeleur; also, of the Sabbath School, Normanby; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Goderich Township, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and report the same without amendments:—

Bill (No. 9), To confirm By-law No. 251 of the Township of Springer.

Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Owen Sound Young Men's Christian Association.

Bill (No. 30), Respecting certain Debts of the Town of Sarnia.

The Committee have also carefully considered the following Bills, and report the same with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 55), Respecting the Town of Midland.

Bill (No. 111), Respecting the Town of Trenton.

Bill (No. 141), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 47), To confirm By-law No. 14 of 1907, and By-law No. 11 of 1908 of the Village of Hepworth, the same having been withdrawn by the promoters thereof.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Owen Sound Young Men's Christian Association, on the ground that the Bill is one relating to a religious institution.

The Committee also recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 50), Respecting the School of Mining and Agriculture at Kingston, on the ground that the Bill is one relating to an educational institution.

Mr. Cochrane, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Fourth Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively:—

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the Peterboro gh Radial Railway Company.

Bill (No. 126), Respecting the Niagara Peninsular Railway Company.

Bill (No. 112), To incorporate the Simcoe Electric Railway and Power Company.

Bill (No. 54), To extend the time to construct the Stratford and St. Joseph Radial Railway.

Bill (No. 39), To incorporate the Tillsonburg and Southern Counties Radial Railway Company.

Bill (No. 59), To incorporate the Sault Ste. Marie and St. Joseph Island Railway Company.

Bill (No. 174), To incorporate the Lake Superior and Long Lake Railway and Transportation Company.

Your Committee have amended the Preambles to Bills Nos. 126, 112, 54, 39, and 174 so as to make the same conform with the facts as they were made to appear to your Committee.

Your Committee have changed the Title to Bill (No. 174), so that it now reads, "An Act to incorporate the Lake Superior and Northern Railway Company," and have also changed the Title to Bill (No. 112), so that it now reads, "An Act to incorporate the Simcoe Railway and Power Company."

Your Committee recommend that the fees on Bill (No. 53), To incorporate the Blind River Colonization Railway Company, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted, the Bill having been withdrawn by the promoters thereof.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on the following Bills:—(No. 47), Hepworth; (No. 57), Owen Sound Y. M. C. A.; (No. 50), Kingston School of Mining, and on Bill (No. 53), Blind River Colonization Railway.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 208), intituled "An Act to amend the Division Courts Act." Mr. MacKay (Grey.)

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 209), intituled "An Act to amend the Liquor License Act." Mr. Hanna.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 210), intituled "An Act respecting Unused Burying Grounds." Mr. Neely.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 211), intituled "The Statute Law Amendment Act." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 183), To amend the Ontario Municipal Securities Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Proudfoot asked the following Question:—

1. What steps has the Insurance Department taken to place Fraternal Societies on a sound financial basis. 2. Has the Department considered the evidence taken by the Royal Commission on Insurance in 1906, at which they had Counsel representing the Government. If so, what course does the Government intend to take.

To which the Attorney-General replied as follows:—

1. No steps have been taken beyond those set out hereinafter. 2. The Department has considered the evidence referred to in question No. 1. No legislation is at present contemplated.

The Commission referred to was issued by, and made its Report to, the Dominion Government. The Ontario Government is not in any way committed to the findings or recommendations of that Commission. The Commission recommended that the premium-rates of the Table known in the United States as "The National Fraternal Congress Table" be, by Dominion legislation, made obligatory, as a minimum, upon Friendly Societies in Canada. The Dominion Government at first favoured the recommendation and placed the necessary provisions in their Insurance Bill of last Session. The whole Bill was ultimately withdrawn.

The Government's Insurance Bill now before the Dominion Parliament completely expunges all provisions relating to such Societies. In explanation the Finance Minister said, in effect, that the Societies appeared to be doing their best towards the reform of their premium-rates, and that no legislation on Societies would be offered.

Then, as to the National Fraternal Congress Table which the Commission would make compulsory on Canadian Societies—that Table closely follows, and indeed, except in the higher ages (where it slightly exceeds) is almost a transcript of the Premium Rate Table which now for twelve years has formed Schedule A to the Ontario Insurance Act. (R. S. O. 1897, c. 203, Schedule A—continuing the previous Act.) The two Tables will be found printed side by side at *page C 260* of the Detailed Report of the Inspector of Insurance, published in 1906. It will be seen that in many cases the American Table is identical with ours, and, where it varies, the variation is merely trivial. The Ontario Table was in 1896 calculated by Mr. Hunter from the Mortality of the Canada Life Assurance Company for forty-six years; and for the direction and assistance of Friendly Societies was published as a Bulletin of the Insurance Department. This Table proved the then rates of Friendly Societies to be totally insufficient. So much interest was aroused in Canada and the United States, that the first edition of the Table was speedily exhausted, and a second large edition was distributed. The reform of premium-rates has ever since been constantly kept before the Societies, so that the majority of them have greatly increased their premium-rates without any compulsion of law. Some of the Societies have adopted the Ontario Table. Others are gradually approximating to it. All are now fully aware of their responsibilities.

Ontario Legislature in 1890 stopped the further incorporation of such life insurance societies. (53 Vic., c. 39, s. 9.) As from the 10th March, 1890, any further admission of such societies from abroad was prohibited: 55 Vic., c. 39, s. 10 (1).

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 37), To validate and confirm a certain By-law of the City of Kingston.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Town of Smith's Falls.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 50), To amend the Act respecting the School of Mining and Agriculture at Kingston.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 46), Respecting Knox Church Burying Ground.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 58), Respecting the Upper Canada Bible Society and the Upper-Canada Religious Tract and Book Society.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 12), Respecting the Property of the Salvation Army.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the Town of Kenora.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 21), Respecting the Village of West Lorne.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 175), To amend the Municipal Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 176), To amend the Public Health Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day for the second reading of Bill (No. 192), To amend the Act respecting Companies for supplying Steam, Heat, Electricity or Natural Gas, for Heat, Light or Power, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 109), To amend the Judicature Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 161), Respecting certain Municipal By-laws and Agreements, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 172) Respecting High Schools and Collegiate Institutes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 194), To amend the Supplementary Revenue Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 196), To amend the Free Grants and Homesteads Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 198), To amend the Municipal Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 195), To amend the Act respecting Burlington Beach, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report on the Reforestation of Waste Lands in Southern Ontario, in 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 23.*)

Also—Report of Game and Fisheries Department of the Province, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 32.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the Third day of March, 1908, for a Return shewing :—1. The name of all the Collegiate Institutes, High Schools and Continuation Classes in the Province. 2. Which of these schools were classed "Approved," in the Academic year, July, 1907, to July, 1908. 3. The change (if any) made in the classification of each such school since July 1st, 1908, to date. 4. The reasons for such change in classification. (*Sessional Papers No. 56.*)

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Friday, 26th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that the Clerk had received from the Commissioners of Estate Bills, their Report in the following case :—

Bill (No. 6), To vest certain lands in the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church of the Town of Barrie, and to enable them to sell the same.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows :—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned, Commissioners of Estate Bills, to whom was referred Bill (No. 6), intituled "An Act to vest certain lands in the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church of the Town of Barrie, and to enable them to sell the same," have the honour to report as follows :—

1. That it is proposed by the Bill (section 1) to vest in the Trustees the land with which it deals, and to authorize the Trustees to sell it, and at the same time, by section 2, to confirm a conveyance of it, which the Trustees have made, to Charlotte Agnes Hambly.

This is manifestly improper, and the Bill should be amended so as to confirm, subject to a provision for the removal of the dead, the title of the purchaser under the conveyance.

A section has been prepared by the undersigned to take the place of sections 1, 2 and 3.

In the opinion of the undersigned, the sections providing for the removal of the dead should be amended, so as to conform with the usual provisions inserted in Bills of the like character, and they have amended them accordingly.

2. With the suggested changes, the undersigned are of opinion that, presuming the allegations of the Preamble to be proved to the satisfaction of Your Honourable House, it is reasonable that the Bill should pass into law.

3. The undersigned are also of opinion that with the suggested changes, the provisions of the Bill are proper for carrying its purposes into effect, but that the Title should be changed so as to read: "An Act to confirm a Conveyance of certain lands made by the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church of the Town of Barrie to Charlotte Agnes Hambly."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Dated at Osgoode Hall this
Twenty-sixth day of March, 1909.

W. R. MEREDITH, C. J. C. P.
R. C. CLUTE, J. EX. DIV.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 6), To vest certain lands in the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church of the Town of Barrie, and to enable them to sell the same, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Commissioners of Estates Bills thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Congregation of the Methodist Church, Rutherford.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Officers of the Methodist Church, Oxenden.

By Mr. Mahaffy, the Petition of the Ladies' Aid, Severn Bridge.

By Mr. Devitt, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Orono.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Holleford.

By Mr. Tudhope, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Dalston.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of the Epworth League, Zion.

By Mr. Craig, the Petition of Wolseley Council, No. 75, R. T. of T., Harriston.

By Mr. McDonald, the Petition of Apple Blossom Council, No. 344, R. T. of T., Apple Hill.

By Mr. Jamieson, the Petition of the Sunday School, Kimberley.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Lochlin.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Epworth League, Fairmunt; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sabbath School, Staffa.

By Mr. Galna, the Petition of the Township Council, Carling; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Burk's Falls.

By Mr. Downey, the Petition of Trinity Methodist Sunday School, Binbrook.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of the Session of Cook's Church, Caradoc; also, the Petition of Mahlon Burwell, and others; also, the Petition of James Clark, and others, all of Caradoc; also, the Petition of Isabella McAlpine, and others; also, the Petition of T. S. Graham, and others; also, the Petition of J. G. Lethbridge, and others, all of Mosa; also, the Petition of Bray Wilby, and others, of West Williams.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of Almond's Epworth League, Whitby.

By Mr. Anderson, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Pelee Island; also, the Petition of the Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Bible Class, all of Ruthven.

By Mr. Musgrove, the Petition of the Sunday School, Newbridge.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of Mount Pleasant Sabbath School, Gordon Lake; also, the Petition of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday School, Sault Ste. Marie; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Bar River.

By Mr. Thompson (Peterborough), the Petition of the Methodist Church, Apsley.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of West Williams; also, of James McMillan, and others; also, of J. W. Griffith, and others; also, of Robert Brown, and others; also, of Fred J. Scott, and others; also of D. L. McCrea, and others; also, of Angus Beattie, and others, all of West Williams, severally praying for certain amendments to the Act to regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways.

Of the Baptist Sabbath School, Eden; also, of the Bible Class of the Methodist Church, Whitevale; also, of the Epworth League, Guilds; also of Knox Church, Stevenson; also, of the Sunday School, Cedar Springs; also of the Camp, Sons of Scotland; also, of the Sabbath School; also, of L. O. L. 771, all of McCrimmon; also, of the Epworth League, Enterprise; also, of the Epworth League, Wilton; also, of the Presbyterian Church, Centreville; also, of the Knox Church, Tara; also, of the Trustee Board; also, of the Epworth League, all of Derbe; also, of the Epworth League; also, of the Council of the R. T. of T., all of Kincardine; also, of the Church Board, Yarmouth; also, of the Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Church, Port Elgin; also, of the Epworth League, Oliphant; also, of the Sunday School, Underwood; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Wiarton; also, of the Officers of the Baptist Church, Port Elgin, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Cochrane, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Fifth Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and have prepared certain amendments thereto respectively:—

Bill (No. 28), Respecting the South Western Traction Company.

Bill (No. 25), Respecting the Ontario West Shore Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 179), Respecting the Toronto Suburban Railway Company.

Your Committee have amended the Preambles to Bills numbers 28 and 25, so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to your Committee.

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 27), To incorporate the Des Jardins Inter-Urban Railway Company, said Bill having been withdrawn by the Promoters thereof.

Your Committee recommend that Rule No. 51 of Your Honourable House be further suspended in this, that the time for receiving Reports of Committees relative to Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Friday, the Second day of April next.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and report the same without amendments:—

Bill (No. 110), Respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie.

Bill (No. 159), Respecting the establishment in the City of Ottawa of a Hospital and Sanatorium for the reception, care, and treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis.

The Committee also carefully considered the following Bills, and report the same with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 33), Respecting the City of Hamilton.

Bill (No. 48), To confirm By-law No. 1995 of the City of St. Catharines.

Bill (No. 133), Respecting the City of Brantford.

The Committee recommend that, notwithstanding Rule No. 51 of Your Honourable House, the time for receiving Reports of Committees relative to Private Bills, be extended until and inclusive of Friday, the Second day of April next.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports from Committees relative to Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Friday, the Second day of April next.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 27), Des Jardins Inter-Urban Railway.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 212), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Companies Act, 1907." Mr. Lennox.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 213), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Insurance Act." Mr. Lennox.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 214), intituled "An Act to regulate the Manufacture of Dairy Products." Mr. Duff.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 215), intituled "An Act respecting Lunatics." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 216), intituled "An Act to amend the Marriage Act." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 217), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting Mortgages of Real Estate." Mr. McPherson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 161), Respecting certain Municipal By-laws and Agreements, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and, Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 172), Respecting High Schools and Collegiate Institutes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 197), To amend and improve the Law respecting Mine Accidents and Operation of Mines, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 37), To validate and confirm a certain By-law of the City of Kingston.

Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Town of Smith's Falls.

Bill (No. 50), To amend the Act respecting the School of Mining and Agriculture at Kingston.

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the Town of Kenora.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 9), To confirm By-law No. 251 of the Township of Springer.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Owen Sound Young Men's Christian Association.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 30), Respecting certain Debts of the Town of Sarnia.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 55), Respecting the Town of Midland.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 111), Respecting the Town of Trenton.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 141), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the Peterborough Radial Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 126), Respecting the Niagara Peninsular Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 112), To incorporate the Simcoe Railway and Power Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 39), To incorporate the Tillsonburg and Southern Counties Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 59), To incorporate the Sault Ste. Marie and St. Joseph Island Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 174), To incorporate the Lake Superior and Northern Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 157), To amend an Act passed in the Seventh year of His Majesty's Reign, chaptered 19, intituled "An Act to provide for the transmission of Electrical Power to Municipalities;" to validate certain contracts entered into with the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario, and for other purposes, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Sir James Whitney then moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. Elliott moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Racine,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to substitute the following:—

Whereas by an Act intituled "An Act to provide for the Transmission of Electric Power to Municipalities," being 6 Edward VII, Chapter 15, it was enacted that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council might appoint a Commission to be known as "The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario," and that any Municipal Corporation might apply to the said Commission for the transmission to such Corporation of a supply of electrical energy for the uses of the Corporation and the inhabitants thereof, and that the said Commission might furnish such Corporation estimates of the cost necessary to procure such supply, and that the said Commission would furnish to such Municipal Corporation statements of the terms and conditions upon which such electrical energy might be transmitted and supplied, together with a form of a Contract to be entered into between such Municipal Corporation and the Commission; and the said Act further provided that the Council of such Municipal Corporation might submit to the electors of the municipality, upon certain conditions and in the manner prescribed by the "Consolidated Municipal Act, 1903," a By-law authorizing the Municipal Council to enter into "such contract" and that upon the said By-law receiving the assent of the majority of the electors voting thereon "such contract," might be entered into between the Municipal Corporation and the Commission, and that thereupon the Commission might transmit such energy and deliver it to the Municipal Corporation and that such Corporation might receive such energy and supply and distribute the same to the inhabitants upon such terms and conditions and for such rates as the Commission might prescribe.

And whereas the said Commission, in the year 1906, did supply to divers municipalities a statement showing the minimum and maximum price *per* horse power for which such energy would be sold to the said municipalities at their respective borders ready for distribution, and purporting to provide in the said price an allowance for generating, transforming and transmission losses; four *per cent.* on the moneys expended on capital account for a transmitting and delivering plant; an annual amount for sinking fund sufficient to pay the whole cost of the work within thirty years; and an amount sufficient to pay the cost of operating, maintaining, repairing, renewing and insuring such works as in the said Act provided.

And whereas the Municipal Councils of such municipalities submitted By-laws to the ratepayers of their respective municipalities, authorizing the said Municipal Councils to enter into a contract with the said Commission for the supply of such energy at prices not exceeding the maximum price *per* horse power so supplied by the Commission, for power stepped down and ready for distribution at the municipal limits, but without submitting to the electors with the By-law the proposed contract as by the said Act provided.

And whereas the said Commission found it impracticable or inexpedient to contract to supply such energy at the prices set forth in said statements, or to supply it at all at the limits of the respective municipalities as in the estimates and in the By-laws of the Municipal Corporation contemplated.

And whereas, by an Act passed since the said By-laws were voted upon, known as "The Power Commission Act," being 7 Edward VII., chapter 19, it was provided that the said Commission might contract with any Corporation or persons generating or distributing electrical energy, to supply the same to the said Commission. And that the said Commission should furnish to any Municipal Corporation applying therefor a statement of the maximum price *per* horse power at which the said energy would be supplied at the point of development, namely, Niagara Falls, and an estimate of the cost of constructing a line for transmitting said energy and of maintaining the said line, together with plans and specifications of the plant necessary for distributing said energy and an estimate of the cost thereof, and that the Municipal Councils might thereupon enter into a provisional contract with the Commission for the supply of such energy, but that such contract should not be binding upon the Corporation until By-laws approving the same had been submitted to and had received the assent of the electors qualified to vote on By-laws for creating debts in accordance with the provisions of the "Consolidated Municipal Act, 1903." And whereas no such By-laws have been submitted to the electors.

And whereas it was further provided by said Power Commission Act, that without the consent of the Attorney-General no action should be brought against said Commission or any member thereof for anything done or omitted to to be done in his office.

And whereas the only contract which the said Commission is willing or able to make with the said Corporation is a contract to supply such power or

energy at Niagara Falls, being a contract altogether different from the contract contemplated by the By-laws submitted to the electors; and whereas it is not desirable that the property of the ratepayers should be made liable to large debt charges without their assent thereto, therefore His Majesty by and with the consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:—

1. No contract entered into, or to be entered into, by any Municipal Corporation or the Municipal Council thereof, for the purchase from the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, of electrical power or energy at Niagara Falls for the use of the Corporation and the inhabitants of such municipality, shall be binding upon the Corporation unless and until a By-law approving the same has been submitted to and has received the assent of the electors qualified to vote on By-laws for creating debts as in the said Act, 7 Edward VII, provided, and in accordance with the provisions of the "Consolidated Municipal Act, 1903," and unless and until a copy of such contract has been published with or forms part of the said By-law, and the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has approved of the said By-law and contract.

2. All provisions and enactments of 6 Edward VII, Chapter 15, intituled, "An Act to provide for the transmission of electrical power to Municipalities," and all provisions of 7 Edward VII, Chapter 19, which may be cited as "The Power Commission Act" and 8 Edward VII, Chapter 22, intituled "An Act to validate certain By-laws passed and Contracts made pursuant to an Act to provide for the transmission of electrical power to Municipalities," inconsistent with the provisions of section one of this Act, are hereby repealed.

3. Section 23 of 7 Edward VII, Chapter 19, which may be cited as "The Power Commission Act," is hereby repealed.

4. The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario is declared to be a body corporate capable of exercising all the functions of an incorporated Company, of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in all courts, whether of Law or Equity.

Sir James Whitney, rising in his place, called the attention of the House to the fact, that the Amendment was in direct contravention of Rule No. 33, in that it was prefaced by recital, or preamble, and asked Mr. Speaker to rule.

Mr. Speaker then declared that there could be no doubt, in view of the Rule quoted, that the Amendment was out of order and could not be entertained.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again put, the same was declared to be carried, and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 117), To prevent the spread of Pulmonary and other forms of Tuberculosis, having been read,

Mr. Downey moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time,

And a Debate having ensued, it was, on the motion of Mr. Preston (Lanark),

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 99), Respecting the Fiscal Year.

Bill (No. 100), To amend the Municipal Act.

Bill (No. 101), To amend the Forest Reserve Act.

Bill (No. 124), To amend the Act to provide for Development of Water Power at Dog Lake.

Bill (No. 14), Respecting Rideau Club.

Bill (No. 125), To amend the Audit Act.

Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Municipality of Neebing.

Bill (No. 139), Respecting the Ontario Veterinary College.

Bill (No. 140), To amend the Act respecting Stationary Engineers.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns To-day, it do stand adjourned until Monday next, the Twenty-ninth instant, at half past Two of the clock in the afternoon.

The House then adjourned at 6.10 p.m.

Monday, 29th March, 1909.

2.30 O'CLOCK P.M.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor proceeded to the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and took his seat upon the Throne.

The Clerk Assistant then read the Titles of the Acts that had been passed, severally, as follows :—

No. of Bill.

109. An Act to amend the Judicature Act.

99. An Act respecting the Fiscal Year.

100. An Act to amend the Municipal Act.

101. An Act to amend the Forest Reserve Act.

124. An Act to amend the Act to provide for the Development of Water Power at Dog Lake.

125. An Act to amend the Audit Act.

139. An Act respecting the Ontario Veterinary College.

140. An Act to amend the Act respecting Stationary Engineers.

157. An Act to amend an Act passed in the Seventh year of His Majesty's Reign, chaptered 19, intituled "An Act to provide for the transmission of Electric Power to Municipalities;" to validate certain Contracts entered into with the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, and for other purposes.

14. An Act respecting the Rideau Club.

19. An Act respecting the Municipality of Neebing.

To these Acts the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the words following:—

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Acts."

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Reaume, the Petition of Bruce Avenue Baptist Church, Windsor.

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Methodist Congregation, Dawn Valley.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Bible Class of the Methodist Church, Oxenden.

By Mr. Reed (Wentworth), the Petition of the Sabbath School, Sinclairville.

By Mr. Craig, the Petition of the Epworth League, Kenilworth.

By Mr. Devitt, the Petition of the Teachers and Officers of Bethesda Sabbath School, Tyrone; also, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Bowmanville.

By Mr. Norman, the Petition of the Township Council of South Marysburg.

By Mr. Nesbitt, the Petition of the Township Council of Brighton; also, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Carman.

By Mr. Downey, two Petitions of the Trinity Methodist Church, Binbrook.

By Mr. Stock, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, Staffa.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Men's Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Sunday School Class, all of Bury's Green; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Kenmount.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Township Council of Walpole, praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of the Epworth League, Oxenden; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Orillia; also, of the Congregational Church; also, of the Young People's Society of the Congregational Church, all of Barrie; also, of the Baptist Church; also, of the B. Y. P. U., all of North Bay; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Lombardy; also, of the Bell Street Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Ottawa; also, of the St. Andrew's Sunday School, Belleville; severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 218), intituled "An Act to amend the University Act, 1906." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 219), intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Law relating to the payment of Succession Duties." Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 220), intituled "An Act to authorize and regulate the use of Traction Engines on Highways." Mr. Craig.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 221), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Law Society of Upper Canada." Mr. Lucas.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Sir James Whitney delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

J. M. GIBSON.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909, and to complete the services of the Province for the year 1908; and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, March 29th, 1909.

(*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Sir James Whitney delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

J. M. GIBSON.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province for the year 1909-10; and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE

Toronto, March 29th, 1909.

(*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Ordered, That the Message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 28), Respecting the South-western Traction Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 25), Respecting the Ontario West Shore Electric Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 179), Respecting the Toronto Suburban Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 110), Respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 159), Respecting the Establishment in the City of Ottawa of a Hospital or Sanatorium for the reception, care and treatment of persons suffering from Tuberculosis.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 33), Respecting the City of Hamilton.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To morrow.

Bill (No. 48), To confirm By-law No. 1995 of the City of St. Catharines.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 133), Respecting the City of Brantford.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 205), To amend the Act respecting Agricultural Societies.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 215), Respecting Lunatics.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 216), To amend the Marriage Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 46), Respecting Knox Church Burying Ground.

Bill (No. 58), Respecting the Upper Canada Bible Society and the Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society.

Bill (No. 12), Respecting the Property of the Salvation Army.

Bill (No. 21), Respecting the Village of West Lorne.

Bill (No. 9), To confirm By-law No. 251 of the Township of Springer.

Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Owen Sound Young Men's Christian Association.

Bill (No. 30), Respecting Certain Debts of the Town of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 111), Respecting the Town of Trenton.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the Peterborough Radial Railway Company.

Bill (No. 126), Respecting the Niagara Peninsular Railway Company.

Bill (No. 174), To incorporate the Lake Superior and Northern Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Brower reported, That the Committee had directed him the report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time Tomorrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 34), Respecting Merchants Fire Insurance Company.

Bill (No. 36), Respecting the Dunnville, Wellandport and Beamsville Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 8), To incorporate the People's Railway Company

Bill (No. 51), To incorporate the Belleville Radial Railway Company.

Bill (No. 40), To incorporate the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Electric Railway Company.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, that there be granted to His Majesty, for the Services of 1909 the following sums :—

90.	To defray the expenses of Civil Government	$13,626 55
91.	To defray the expenses of Legislation	$1,133 34
92.	To defray the expenses of Administration of Justice	$6,188 83
93.	To defray the expenses of Education	$20,872 00
94.	To defray the expenses of Public Institutions, Maintenance	$3,450 00
95.	To defray the expenses of Agriculture	$16,500 00
96.	To defray the expenses of Colonization and Immigration ...	$175 00

97.	To defray the expenses of Stationary Engineers	$208 34
98.	To defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities	$4,000 00
99.	To defray the expenses of Maintenance and Repairs of Government Buildings	$5,671 00
100.	To defray the expenses of Public Buildings	$186,573 00
101.	To defray the expenses of Public Works	$17,200 00
102.	To defray the expenses of Colonization Roads	$58,310 00
103.	To defray the expenses of Charges on Crown Lands	$48,000 00
104.	To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous	$36,000 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. McGarry reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-day.

Mr. McGarry, from the Committee of Supply, reported the following further Resolutions:—

90. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirteen thousand six hundred and twenty-six dollars and fifty-five cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

91. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One thousand one hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-four cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

92. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Six thousand one hundred and eighty-eight dollars and eighty-three cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

93. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand eight hundred and seventy-two dollars be granted His Majesty to defray the expenses of Education for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

94. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Three thousand four hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Institutions Maintenance for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

95. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Agriculture for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

96. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One hundred and seventy-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization and Immigration for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

97. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and eight dollars and thirty-four cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Stationary Engineers for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

98. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

99. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Five thousand six hundred and seventy-one dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Maintenance and Repairs of Government Buildings for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

100. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eighty-six thousand five hundred and seventy-three dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Buildings for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

101. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Works for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

102. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Fifty-eight thousand three hundred and ten dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization Roads for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

103. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Forty-eight thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Charges on Crown Lands for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

104. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty-six thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the ten months ending 31st October, 1909.

The several Resolutions, having been again read, were concurred in.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of 1909–10, the following sums :—

1.	To defray the expenses of the Lieutenant-Governor's Office..	$ 4,650 00
2.	To defray the expenses of the Office of the Prime Minister and President of Council	$ 7,750 00
3.	To defray the expenses of the Attorney-General's Department	$ 64,161 00
4.	To defray the expenses of the Education Department	$ 29,210 00
5.	To defray the expenses of the Lands, Forests and Mines Department	$130,460 00
6.	To defray the expenses of the Public Works Department	$ 58,300 00
7.	To defray the expenses of the Treasury Department	$ 34,064 00
8.	To defray the expenses of the Provincial Auditor's Office	$ 12,980 00
9.	To defray the expenses of the Provincial Secretary's Department	$160 190 00
10.	To defray the expenses of the Department of Agriculture	$ 55,970 00
11.	To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous	$ 20,100 00
12.	To defray the expenses of Legislation	$253,550 00
13.	To defray the expenses of Administration of Justice, Salaries and Expenses	$193,579 66
14.	To defray the expenses of Administration of Justice, Miscellaneous	$303,828 00
15.	To defray the expenses of Administration of Justice in Districts	$168,261 00
16.	To defray the expenses of Public and Separate Schools	$962,583 33
17.	To defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Toronto	$ 44,120 00
18.	To defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa.	$ 43,325 00
19.	To defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, London	$ 25,720 00
20.	To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Hamilton	$ 20,285 00
21.	To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Peterborough..	$ 20,615 00
22.	To defray the expenses of the Normal School, Stratford	$ 20,765 00
23.	To defray the expenses of the Normal School, North Bay	$ 22,800 00
24.	To defray the expenses of Collegiate Institutes and High Schools	$148,900 00
25.	To defray the expenses of the Museum and Library	$ 18,500 00
26.	To defray the expenses of Public Libraries, Art Schools, Literary and Scientific	$ 60,100 00
27.	To defray the expenses of Technical Education	$ 55,200 00
28.	To defray the expenses of Superannuated Public and High School Teachers	$ 63,150 00
29.	To defray the expenses of Provincial University and Mining Schools	$ 42,200 00

30.	To defray the Miscellaneous expenses of Education	31,924 00
31.	To defray the expenses of Education for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville	$ 59,348 00
32.	To defray the expenses of Education, Blind Institute, Brantford	$ 42,351 00
33.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Brockville	$110,106 00
34.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Cobourg	$ 27,950 00
35.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Hamilton	$168,727 20
36.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Kingston	$118,843 00
37.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, London	$163,700 00
38.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Mimico	$101,700 00
39.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Orillia	$ 86,717 00
40.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Penetanguishene	$ 68,465 00
41.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Toronto	$154,197 00
42.	To defray the expenses of the Hospital, Woodstock	$ 37,336 00
43.	To defray the expenses of the Central Prison, Toronto	$ 71,490 00
44.	To defray the expenses of the Central Prison Industries	$ 64,420 00
45.	To defray the expenses of the Mercer Reformatory, Toronto	$ 30,225 00
46.	To defray the expenses of Agricultural Societies, etc.	$113,725 00
47.	To defray the expenses of Live Stock Branch	$ 28,722 00
48.	To defray the expenses of Farmer's Institutes	$ 34,200 00
49.	To defray the expenses of the Bureau of Industries	$ 5,500 00
50.	To defray the expenses of Dairies	$ 55,850 00
51.	To defray the expenses of Fruit, Vegetables, Honey, and Insects	$ 40,850 00
52.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Veterinary College	$ 24,900 00
53.	To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous	$ 55,600 00
54.	To defray the expenses of Agricultural College—Salaries and Expenses	$124,250 00
55.	To defray the expenses of Macdonald Institute and Hall	$ 34,390 00
56.	To defray the expenses of Forestry	$ 1,500 00
57.	To defray the expenses of Animal Husbandry, Farm and Experimental Feeding Department	$ 19,250 00
58.	To defray the expenses of Field Experiments	$ 12,080 00
59.	To defray the expenses of Experimental Dairy Department	$ 9,056 00
60.	To defray the expenses of Dairy School	$ 8,165 00
61.	To defray the expenses of Poultry Department	$ 5,100 00
62.	To defray the expenses of Horticultural Department	$ 9 650 00
63.	To defray the expenses of Soil Physics Department	$ 1,000 00
64.	To defray the expenses of Mechanical Department	$ 1,050 00
65.	To defray the expenses of Colonization and Immigration	$ 57,800 00
66.	To defray the expenses of Stationary Engineers	$ 5,950 00
67.	To defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities	$307,950 00
68.	To defray the expenses of Maintenance and Repairs, Government House	$ 18,000 00

69. To defray the expenses of Maintenance and Repairs, Parliament and Departmental Buildings..... $ 81,500 00
70. To defray the expenses of Public Buildings, Parliament Buildings, Prison and Kenora Court House $265,000 00
71. To defray the expenses of Charges on Crown Lands, outside service and Surveys $381,100 00
72. To defray the expenses of Mining Development..... $108,600 00
73. To defray the expenses of expenditure on account of Parks $ 17,600 00
74. To defray the expenses of the Refund Account, on Education Account ..... $ 1,000 00
75. To defray the expenses of the Refund Account, on Crown Lands Account..... $ 17,000 00
76. To defray Miscellaneous expenses, Refund Account..... $ 12,000 00
77. To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Expenditure..... $266,850 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. McGarry reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. McGarry reported the following further Resolutions from the Committee of Supply.

1. ***Resolved,*** That a sum not exceeding Four thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Lieutenant-Governor's Office for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

2. ***Resolved,*** That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Office of the Prime Minister and President of the Council for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

3. ***Resolved,*** That a sum not exceeding Sixty-four thousand one hundred and sixty-one dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Attorney-General's Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

4. ***Resolved,*** That a sum not exceeding Twenty-nine thousand two hundred and ten dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Education Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

5. ***Resolved,*** That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty thousand four hundred and sixty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Lands, Forests and Mines Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910

6. ***Resolved***, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-eight thousand three hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Public Works Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

7. ***Resolved***, That a sum not exceeding Thirty-four thousand and sixty-four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Treasury Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

8. ***Resolved***, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand nine hundred and eighty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Provincial Auditor's Office for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty thousand one hundred and ninety dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Provincial Secretary's Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-five thousand nine hundred and seventy dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Department of Agriculture for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty-three thousand five hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Legislation for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ninety-three thousand five hundred and seventy-nine dollars and sixty-six cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice, Salaries and Expenses, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and three thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Administration of Justice for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

15. ***Resolved***, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-eight thousand two huudred and sixty-one dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Administration of Justice in Districts for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine hundred and sixty-two thousand five hundred and eighty-three dollars and thirty-three cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public and Separate School Education for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-four thousand one hundred and twenty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Forty-three thousand three hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, Ottawa, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-five thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal and Model Schools, London, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand two hundred and eighty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Hamilton, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand six hundred and fifteen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Peterborough, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty thousand seven hundred and sixty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Normal School, Stratford, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-two thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Normal School, North Bay, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty-eight thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of High School and Collegiate Institutes for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Departmental Library and Museum for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Libraries, Art Schools, Literary and Scientific, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty-five thousand two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Technical Education for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty-three thousand one hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Superannuated Public and High School Teachers for the year ending 31st October 1910.

29. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Forty-two thousand two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Provincial University and Mining Schools for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

30. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty-one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Maintenance, Education Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

31 *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Fifty-nine thousand three hundred and forty-eight dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Belleville, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

32. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Forty-two thousand three hundred and fifty-one dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Blind Institute, Brantford, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

33. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One hundred and ten thousand one hundred and six dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Brockville, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

34. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Cobourg, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

35. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-eight thousand seven hundred and twenty-seven dollars and twenty cents be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Hamilton, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

36. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eighteen thousand eight hundred and forty-three dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Kingston, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

37. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One hundred and sixty-three thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, London, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

38. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One hundred and one thousand seven hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for the Insane, Mimico, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

39. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Eighty-six thousand seven hundred and seventeen dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for Idiots, Orillia, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

40. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Sixty-eight thousand four hundred and sixty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Penetanguishene, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

41. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty-four thousand one hundred and ninety-seven dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for Insane, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

42. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand three hundred and thirty-six dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Hospital for Epiliptics, Woodstock, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

43. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Seventy-one thousand four hundred and ninety dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Central Prison, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

44. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Sixty-four thousand four hundred and twenty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Central Prison Industries for the year ending 31st October, 1910..

45. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand two hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Mercer Reformatory, Toronto, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

46. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One hundred and thirteen thousand seven hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Agricultural and Horticultural Societies for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

47. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Twenty-eight thousand seven hundred and twenty-two dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Live Stock Branch for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

48. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty-four thousand two hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Institutes for the year ending October 31st, 1910.

49. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Five thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Bureau of Industries for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

50. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Fifty-five thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Dairy Branch for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

51. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Forty thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Fruit Branch for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

52. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Twenty-four thousand nine hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Ontario Veterinary College for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

53. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Fifty-five thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Agriculture, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

54. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-four thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Salaries and Expenses, Agricultural College, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

55. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Thirty-four thousand three hundred and ninety dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Macdonald Institute and Hall, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

56. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Forestry for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

57. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Nineteen thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Animal Husbandry, Farm and Experimental Feeding Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

58. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand and eighty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Field Experiments for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

59. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand and fifty-six dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Experimental Dairy Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

60. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand one hundred and sixty-five dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Dairy School for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

61. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Five thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Poultry Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

62. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand six hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Horticulture Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

63. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Soil Physics Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

64. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One thousand and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of the Mechanical Department for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

65. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Fifty-seven thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Colonization and Immigration for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

66. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Five thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Stationary Engineers for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

67. ***Resolved,*** That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and seven thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Hospitals and Charities for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

68. ***Resolved,*** That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Government House for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

69. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Eighty-one thousand five hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Parliament and Departmental Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

70. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Public Buildings for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

71. ***Resolved,*** That a sum not exceeding Three hundred and eighty-one thousand one hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Expenditure on account of Outside Service and Surveys for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

72. ***Resolved,*** That a sum not exceeding One hundred and eight thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Expenditure on account of Mines and Mining for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

73. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand six hundred dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Expenditure on account of Parks for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

74. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Education, Refund Account, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

75. *Resolved,* That a sum not exceeding Seventeen thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Crown Lands, Refund Account, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twelve thousand dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, Refund Account, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and sixty-six thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars be granted to His Majesty to defray the expenses of Miscellaneous, for the year ending 31st October, 1910.

The several Resolutions, having been again read, were concurred in.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 128) For the better Administration of Justice ; to lessen the number of Appeals and the Cost of Litigation, and for other purposes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. McGarry reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Bureau of Mines, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 4.*)

Also—Report of the Inspector of Division Courts. (*Sessional Papers No. 37.*)

Also—Return of an Order of the House of the Fifteenth day of March instant, for a Return from the Master of Titles under the Land Titles Act for the last three years, showing :—1. Number of absolute and qualified entries of ownership. 2. Number of possessory entries of ownership. 3. Amount added to the Assurance Fund. 4. Total amount of Assurance Fund. 5. The accumulated interest from time to time added. 6. Total losses charged against Insurance Fund. 7. Number of Transfers. 8. Number of Mortgages. 9. Number of leases. 10. Amount of fees received. 11. Salaries and other expenses of Management. 12. Amount paid by the City of Toronto and County of York to make up deficits in running expenses during the last ten years. (*Sessional Papers No. 57.*)

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, 30th March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Methodist Church, Kemble.

By Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), the Petition of the Sunday School, Roebuck.

By Mr. Jessop, the Petition of the Sunday School, Bethel.

By Mr. Tudhope, the Petition of the Young Men's Bible Class, Orillia; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Board, Dalston.

By Mr. Gallagher, the Petition of the Sunday School, Holleford.

By Mr. Richardson, the Petition of Bethesda Sunday School, Warwick.

By Mr. Sulman, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Jeannette's Creek; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Stevenson; also, the Petition of Tecumseth Council R. T. of T., Chatham; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Coatsworth.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Ingoldsby; also, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Haliburton.

By Mr. Hearst, the Petition of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Church, Bruce Mines.

By Mr. Anderson, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class, Ruthven.

By Mr. McCormick, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, Oil Springs.

By Mr. Johnson, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Coe Hill.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Township Council of Carling, praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of Mahlon Burwell, and others; also, of James Clark, and others, all of Caradoc; also, of Isabella McAlpine, and others; also, of T. S. Graham, and others; also, of J. G. Lethbridge, and others, all of Mosa; also, of Bray Wilby, and others, of West Williams, severally praying for certain amendments to the Act regulating the speed and operation of Motor Vehicles.

Of the Congregation of the Methodist Church, Rutherford; also, of the Officers of the Methodist Church, Oxenden; also, of the Ladies' Aid, Severn Bridge; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Orono; also, of the Methodist

Church, Holleford ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Dalston ; also, of the Epworth League, Zion ; also, of Wolseley Council, No. 75, R. T. of T., Harriston ; also, of the Apple Blossom Council, No. 344, R. T. of T., Apple Hill ; also, of the Sunday School, Kimberley ; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Lochlin ; also, of the Methodist Sabbath School, Staffa ; also, of the Epworth League, Fairmount ; also, of the Methodist Church, Burk's Falls ; also, of the Trinity Methodist Sunday School, Binbrook ; also, of the Session of Cook's Church, Caradoc ; also, of the Epworth League of Almond's Church, Whitby ; also, of the Methodist Church, Pelee Island ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School ; also, of the Bible Class, all of Ruthven ; also, of the Sunday School, Newbridge ; also, of the Mount Pleasant Sabbath School, Gordon Lake ; also, of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday School, Sault Ste. Marie ; also, of the Epworth League, Bar River ; also, of the Methodist Church Board, Apsley, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Cochrane, from the Standing Committee on Railways, presented their Sixth Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

Your Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 169), Respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, and have prepared certain amendments thereto ; and have amended the Preamble to the Bill so as to make the same conform with the facts as they appear to your Committee.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Seventh Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and report the same without amendments :—

Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Floating Debt of the Town of Dundas.

Bill (No. 56), Respecting George Macaulay Diehl VanKoughnet.

Bill (No. 160), Respecting the Trusts of the Conveyance of certain lands to Trustees for the Tabernacle Church.

The Committee have also carefully considered the following Bills, and report the same with amendments :—

Bill (No. 4), Respecting the Town of Collingwood.

Bill (No. 132), Respecting the City of Port Arthur.

The Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 160), Respecting the Trusts of the Conveyance of certain lands to Trustees for the Tabernacle Church, on the ground that the Bill is one relating to a religious institution.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 160), Tabernacle Church.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 222), intituled "An Act respecting the arrest of Fraudulent Debtors." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 223), intituled "An Act respecting Continuation Classes." Mr. Pyne.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 49), To confirm By-laws Nos. 815 and 250 of the City of Chatham.

Bill (No. 1), To incorporate the Eastern Ontario Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 26), To incorporate the Cobourg, Port Hope and Havelock Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 29), To amend the Act to incorporate the Morrisburg Electric Railway Company.

Bill (No. 16), Respecting the Farrar Transportation Company, Limited.

Bill (No. 7), Respecting St. John's Church, Ancaster.

Bill (No. 22), Respecting the Ontario Inter-Urban Railway Company.

Bill (No. 37), To validate and confirm a certain By-law of the City of Kingston.

Bill (No. 50), To amend the Act respecting the School of Mining and Agriculture at Kingston.

Bill (No. 35), Respecting the Town of Kenora.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 15), To incorporate the Cobourg Radial Railway Company, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 97), Respecting Investments by Trustees, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 141), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 112), To incorporate Simcoe Railway and Power Company.

Bill (No. 28), Respecting the South-western Traction Company.

Bill (No. 179), Respecting the Toronto Suburban Railway Company.

Bill (No. 110), Respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie.

Bill (No. 159), Respecting the Establishment in the City of Ottawa of a Hospital or Sanatorium for the reception, care and treatment of persons suffering from Tuberculosis.

Bill (No. 33), Respecting the City of Hamilton.

Bill (No. 48), To confirm By-law No. 1995 of the City of St. Catharines.

Bill (No. 133), Respecting the City of Brantford.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Resolved, That beginning on Thursday next, and for each remaining day of the Session, the House shall meet at Two of the Clock in the afternoon.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 54), To extend the time to construct the Stratford and St. Joseph Radial Railway.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 173), Respecting Public Schools.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 203), Respecting Public Libraries and Art Schools.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 202), To amend and extend the Land Titles Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 206), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 210), Respecting Unused Burying Grounds.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 213), To amend the Ontario Insurance Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

On motion of Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Mackay (Oxford),

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing—1. How often has the present Government been asked for permission to institute an action in cases where a fiat was necessary. 2. How often has such permission been granted. 3. In what cases. 4. How often was such permission refused. 5. In what cases.

On motion of Mr. Proudfoot, seconded by Mr. McCart,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return shewing, during the past twelve months, all permits to effect insurance in foreign unregistered corporations, insurers, or underwriters issued by the Insurance Registrar, under

section 86a of the Ontario Insurance Act, as amended by 2 Edw. VII., cap. 12, and 4 Edw. VII., cap. 15, and of all letters and applications in respect of which such permits were issued.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 136), Respecting Boards of Education, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 117), To prevent the spread of Pulmonary and other forms of Tuberculosis, having been read.

The Debate was resumed.

And after some time, on motion of Mr. Downey, it was

Ordered, That the Order be discharged and that the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report on Neglected and Dependent Children, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No 35.*)

Also—Report of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 9.*)

The House then adjourned at 6.05 p.m.

Wednesday, 31st March, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Railway and Municipal Board, appointed to enquire into Bills for the consolidation of a floating debt, or, for the consolidation, or renewal, of debentures (other than local improvement debentures), of a Municipal Corporation, their Report in the following case:—

Bill (No. 163), Respecting the Town of Aurora.

The Report was then read by the Clerk, at the Table, as follows :—

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The undersigned have had under consideration Bill (No. 163), intituled "An Act respecting the Town of Aurora," and the Petition therefor. The Board have made inquiry into the allegation set out in the Bill and as to all other matters which the Board deem necessary in connection therewith, and beg to report that it is reasonable that the said Bill should pass into law with the following addition to section 3 thereof:—After the word "discharged," at the end of section 3, the following should be added: "or the Debentures may be issued with coupons for the interest, and in such case a sinking fund, sufficient to pay the principal at maturity, shall be provided annually, and shall be paid to the Treasurer of Ontario pursuant to the 'Ontario Municipal Securities Act, 1908'."

JAMES LEITCH,
Chairman of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board.
H. N. KITSON,
Dated the 31st day of March, 1909. Commissioner.

Ordered, That Bill (No. 163), Respecting the Town of Aurora, be referred to the Committee on Private Bills with instructions to consider the same with reference to the suggestions of the Railway and Municipal Board thereon.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. McNaught, the Petition of the North Toronto Council, No. 104, R. T. of T., Toronto.

By Mr. Kohler, the Petition of the Epworth League, Victoria Road.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of R. S. Stephenson, and others, of Caradoc; also, the Petition of C. E. Johnson, and others; also, the Petition of J. D. Wilson, and others; also, the Petition of Albert Barber, and others, all of the Township of Lobo.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of the Mount Carmel Methodist Church, Lovett's.

By Mr. Calder, the Petition of the Baptist Church, Green River.

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Board of Managers of the Presbyterian Church, Cameron.

By Mr. Pratt, the Petition of the Township Council of Woodhouse; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, St. Williams; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Port Rowan; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Lynedoch.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of South Marysburg; also, of the Township Council of Brighton, severally praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of the Bruce Avenue Baptist Church, Windsor; also, of the Methodist Congregation, Dawn Valley; also, of the Bible Class, Oxenden; also, of the Teachers and Officers of Bathesda Sabbath School, Tyrone; also, of the W.C.T.U., Bowmanville; also. of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Carman; also, of the Sabbath School, Sinclairville; also, of the Epworth League, Kenilworth; also, two Petitions of Trinity Methodist Church, Binbrook; also, of the Adult Bible Class, Staffa; also, of the Men's Bible Class; also, of the Sunday School Class, all of Bury's Green; also, of the Baptist Church, Kinmount, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Hanna, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and report the same with amendments :—

Bill (No. 102), To amend the Pharmacy Act.

Bill (No. 188), To amend the Public Health Act.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 224), intituled "An Act respecting Companies for the Improvement of Rivers and Streams." Mr. McGarry.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 225), intituled "An Act to amend the Ontario Companies Act." Mr. Hanna.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 226), intituled "An Act to license and regulate Private Detectives and Detective Agencies." Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 32), Respecting the Canadian Casualty and Boiler Insurance Company.

Bill (No. 42), Respecting the Town of Smith's Falls.

Bill (No. 141), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 28), Respecting the South-western Traction Company.

Bill (No. 159), Respecting the establishment, in the City of Ottawa, of a Hospital or Sanatorium for the reception, care and treatment of persons suffering from Tuberculosis.

Bill (No. 33), Respecting the City of Hamilton.

Bill (No. 48), To confirm By-law No. 1995 of the City of St. Catharines.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 24), To provide for the incorporation of the Board of Trustees of the Bruce Mines Hospital, and for other purposes, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 135), Respecting the Acquisition of Land for School purposes, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 161), Respecting certain Municipal By-laws and Agreements, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider the following Bill :—

Bill (No. 39), To incorporate the Tillsonburg and Southern Counties Railway Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill reported, be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 55), Respecting the Town of Midland.

Bill (No. 54), To extend the time to construct the Stratford and St. Joseph Radial Railway.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 169), Respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Floating Debt of the Town of Dundas.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 56), Respecting George Macaulay Diehl VanKoughnet.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 160), Respecting the Trusts of the Conveyance of certain lands to Trustees for the Tabernacle Church.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 4), Respecting the Town of Collingwood.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 132), Respecting the City of Port Arthur.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 209), To amend the Liquor License Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 214), To regulate the Manufacture of Dairy Products.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 218), To amend the University Act, 1906.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 219), To amend and consolidate the law relating to the payment of Succession Duty.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 205), To amend the Act respecting Agricultural Societies, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 215), Respecting Lunatics, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 216), To amend the Marriage Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 203), Respecting Public Libraries and Art Schools, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

Mr. Proudfoot asked the following Question:—

Is the Attorney-General aware of the Standard Mutual being unable to pay its outstanding losses, and that premium note makers will be assessed for the cash premium business. If so, what course does the Government intend to take.

To which the Attorney-General replied as follows:—

Yes. An order has been made by the High Court to wind up this company, and a liquidator has been appointed. The whole matter is now under judicial supervision, and it is assumed that the winding up proceedings will go on in due course.

Mr. Elliott asked the following Question:—

1. Is it the intention of the Department of Lands and Forests to issue any new or renewal tie timber, or other timber permits, in the year commencing May 1st. 1909. 2. Has the Department adopted a definite policy not to issue any such permits for the future.

To which the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines replied as follows:—

1. No. 2. Yes, except for Railway Construction.

Mr. Godfrey moved, seconded by Mr. Nixon.

That whereas the prevalence of Pulmonary Tuberculosis demands that action be taken by the Legislature of this Province, to afford relief from existing conditions, and whereas the movement for the establishment of Municipal Sanatoria, where sufferers from tuberculosis can be given necessary treatment and education to cure and prevent the spread of this dread disease, has received practically the unanimous endorsement of the Medical Profession of this Province as well as that of the Press. Therefore be it resolved, that in the opinion

of this House, a Commission of three persons, two at least of whom shall be Physicians who have given some study to the question, should be appointed to investigate the conditions existing in the Province in this regard, and the advisability and practicability of the establishment of a Provincial Sanatorium; such Commission to report to this House at an early day.

And a Debate having ensued, the Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 173), Respecting Public Schools.

And the House continuing in Committee;

At Six o'clock P.M., Mr. Speaker took the Chair and left it, to resume the same at Eight o'clock P.M.

8 O'clock P.M.

The Committee resumed, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour The Lieutenant-Governor:—

Statement of the distribution of Revised and Sessional Statutes, 1897 to 1908. *(Sessional Papers No. 59.)*

The House then adjourned at 10.25 p.m.

Thursday, April 1st.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Hanna, the Petition of the Sunday School, Wanstead.

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Epworth League, Kemble; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, North Keppel.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of Bethany Methodist Church, Township of Culross.

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of the Methodist Epworth League, Shelburne.

By Mr. McCormick, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, all of Oil Springs.

By Mr. McEwing, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Hollen.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Petition of the Township Council, West Williams; also, the Petition of C. H. Wilson, and others; also, the Petition of John McGregor, and others; also, the Petition of Albert Thompson, and others, all of McGillivray; also, the Petition of Alexander McLeish, and others; also, the Petition of John McLeish, and others, also, the Petition of David James, and others, all of West Williams.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Port Colborne.

By Mr. Pratt, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Forestville; also, the Petition of the Methodist Church, St. Williams.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Methodist Church, Kemble; also, of the Sunday School, Roebuck; also, of the Sunday School, Holleford; also, of the Bethesda Sunday School, Warwick; also, of the Sunday School, Bethel; also, of the Young Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Church, Orillia; also, of the Quarterly Board of the Methodist Church, Dalston; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Jeannette's Creek; also, of the Sunday School, Stevenson; also, of the Tecumseth Council R. T. of T., Chatham; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Coatsworth; also, of the Baptist Church, Ingoldsby; also, of the Baptist Church, Haliburton; also of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Church, Bruce Mines; also, of the Adult Bible Class, Ruthven also, of the Quarterly Official Board of the Methodist Church, Oil Springs; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Coe Hill, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Eighth Report, which was read as follows, and adopted.

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and report the same without amendments :—

Bill (No. 45), Respecting the Town of Blenheim.

Bill (No. 38), To incorporate the Town of Tilbury.

Your Committee have also carefully considered the following Bills and report the same with amendments :—

Bill (No. 52), Respecting the City of London.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting the City of Fort William, 1909.

Bill (No. 158), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 6), To vest certain lands in the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church of the Town of Barrie and to enable them to sell the same.

Bill (No. 170), To incorporate the Toronto West End Young Men's Christian Association.

The Committee have altered the Title to Bill (No. 6), so that it now reads, "An Act to confirm a conveyance of lands from the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church, of the Town of Barrie, to Charlotte Agnes Hambly."

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bills Nos. 170 and 6, on the ground that the same are Bills relating to religious institutions.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 170), Toronto Y. M. C. A., and on Bill (No. 6), Collier Street Methodist Church, Barrie.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 227), intituled "An Act to amend the Railway Act." Sir James Whitney.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 84), Respecting Ferries.

Bill (No. 171), Respecting Truancy and Compulsory Attendance.

Bill (No. 194), To amend the Supplementary Revenue Act, 1907.

Bill (No. 195), To amend the Act respecting Burlington Beach.

Bill (No. 196), To amend the Free Grants and Homesteads Act.

Bill (No. 198), To amend the Municipal Act.

Bill (No. 197), To amend and improve the Law respecting Mine Accidents and Operation of Mines.

Bill (No. 46), Respecting Knox Church Burying Ground.

Bill (No. 58), Respecting the Upper Canada Bible Society and the Upper Canada Religious Tract and Book Society.

Bill (12), Respecting the property of the Salvation Army.

Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Owen Sound Young Men's Christian Association.

Bill (No. 30), Respecting certain debts of the Town of Sarnia.

Bill (No. 111), Respecting the Town of Trenton.

Bill (No. 17), Respecting the Peterborough Radial Railway Company.

Bill (No. 174), To incorporate the Lake Superior and Northern Railway Company.

Bill (No. 83), For expediting the decision of Constitutional and other Provincial Questions.

Bill (No. 87), For more effectually securing the Liberty of the Subject.

Bill (No. 91), Respecting Commissioners for taking Affidavit.

Bill (No. 92), Respecting Notaries Public.

Bill (No. 74), Respecting the Action of Seduction.

Bill (No. 21), Respecting the Village of West Lorne.

Bill (No. 112), To incorporate Simcoe Railway and Power Company.

Bill (No. 110), Respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie.

Bill (No. 133), Respecting the City of Brantford.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 25), Respecting the Ontario West Shore Electric Railway Company, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Macdiarmid reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 169), Respecting the Canada Central Railway Company, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Macdiarmid reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Pyne.

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the payment of Succession Duty.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That a further duty shall be paid on the amount so passing in addition to the rates as follows:— Where the whole amount so passing to one person exceeds $800,000 and does not exceed $1,000,000, 3 *per cent.*; exceeds $1,000,000 and does not exceed $1,200,000, 4 *per cent.*; exceeds $1,200,000, 5 *per cent.*

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Eilber reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That a further duty shall be paid on the amount so passing in addition to the rates as follows:—Where the whole amount so passing to one person exceeds $800,000 and does not exceed $1,000,000, 3 *per cent.*; exceeds $1,000,000 and does not exceed $1,200,000, 4 *per cent.*; exceeds $1,200,000, 5 *per cent.*

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 219), To amend and consolidate the law relating to the payment of Succession Duty.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 59), To incorporate the Sault Ste. Marie and St. Joseph Island Railway Company.

Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Floating Debt of the Town of Dundas.

Bill (No. 56), Respecting George Macaulay Diehl VanKoughnet.

Bill (No. 160), Respecting the Trusts of the Conveyance of certain lands to Trustees for the Tabernacle Church.

Bill (No. 4), Respecting the Town of Collingwood.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Macdiarmid reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 214), To regulate the Manufacture of Dairy Products, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 218), To amend the University Act, 1906, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 219), To amend and consolidate the law relating to the payment of Succession Duty, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 81), Respecting Actions for Libel and Slander, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Macdiarmid reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 11), Respecting the Floating Debt of the Town of Dundas.

Bill (No. 56), Respecting George Macaulay Diehl VanKoughnet.

Bill (No. 160), Respecting the Trusts of the Conveyance of certain lands to Trustees of the Tabernacle Church.

Bill (No. 4), Respecting the Town of Collingwood.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 222), Respecting the arrest of Fraudulent Debtors.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 223), Respecting Continuation Schools.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 225), To amend the Ontario Companies Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 226), To license and regulate Private Detectives and Detective Agencies.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 153), To amend the Surrogate Courts Act.

Referred to the Legal Committee.

Bill (No. 207), To amend the Public Health Act.

Referred to the Municipal Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 204), To regulate the sale of Firearms and Ammunition, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 208), To amend the Division Courts Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 212), To amend the Ontario Companies Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No 217), To amend the Act respecting Mortgages of Real Estate, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 221), To amend the Act respecting the Law Society of Upper Canada, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair to resume the same at 8 o'clock P.M.

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8 O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Mr. McNaught, seconded by Mr. Dargavel, it was

Resolved, That, whereas milk is a necessary and common article of daily food, and is one of the most important factors in bodily growth and in maintaining the good health of the people of this Province, and whereas the development of strong men and women and the maintenance of good health is one of the greatest assets of the people of this Province: Therefore, this Legislature respectfully recommends that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, be pleased to appoint a Royal Commission, composed of a competent person, or competent persons, with such powers and instructions as may be necessary to enable it to enquire into the conditions and methods whereby milk is now being produced, cared for, and supplied to the people of the Province for domestic consumption and manufacturing purposes; to investigate the methods whereby clean, wholesome, sanitary milk is being successfully supplied to consumers in this, or any other country, and to make a report as to its findings in the matter, together with such recommendations as may be considered advisable.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 132), Respecting the City of Port Arthur, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 228), intituled "An Act respecting Aid to the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway." Sir James Whitney.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 229), intituled "An Act respecting the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway Company." Sir James Whitney.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow,

Bill (No. 230), intituled "An Act respecting Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway Company." Sir James Whitney.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Ontario Agricultural College and Experimental Farm, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 14.*)

Also—Report of the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 15.*)

Also—Report of the Ontario Vegetable Growers' Association, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 18.*)

Also—Report of the Ontario Bee-Keepers' Associations, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 20.*)

Also—Report of the Dairymen's Associations of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 21.*)

Also—Report of the Horticultural Societies of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 27.*)

Also—Report of the Bureau of Industries of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 28.*)

Also—Reports of the Inspectors of Factories of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 29.*)

Also—Report of the Ontario Veterinary College, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 33.*)

Also—Report upon the Hospitals for the Idiotic and Epileptic of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 65.*)

Also—Report upon the Hospitals for the Insane of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 41.*)

Also—Report of the Corn Growers' Association of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 60.*)

Also—Report of the Department of Agriculture of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 61.*)

Also—Report on Farming Opportunities in Ontario, with list of improved Farms for sale. (*Sessional Papers No. 62.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the nineteenth day of March, 1909, that the Report of Mr. Starr—who was appointed a Commissioner to enquire into certain matters relating to liquor licenses in the City of Toronto, and which has not been printed for public distribution—be laid upon the Table of the House. (*Sessional Papers No. 63.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the tenth day of March, 1909, for a Return shewing:—Concerning each appointment made by the Government to any educational office, or employment, since the Government's inception of office. 1. Name of appointee. 2. Date of appointment. 3. Nature of employment or office. 4. Outline of duties pertaining thereto. 5. The salary paid. 6. If teacher, master or professor: (*a*) His academic standing. (*b*) The kind of school or schools in which his experience was obtained, and the length of it. (*c*) His professional status, and stating the kind of training school in which he was trained. 7. Concerning the office of Inspector since the creation of the office, and as to such official: (*a*) What previous experience in inspection had he. (*b*) His academic and professional standing qualifying him for his duties. 8. If not holding his engagement still, how was it severed. (*Sessional Papers No. 64.*)

The House then adjourned at 10.10 p.m.

Friday, April 2nd, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Wolseley Methodist Church, Keppel Township.

By Mr. McKeown, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Shelburne.

By Mr. Mackay (Oxford), the Petition of the Teachers and Officers of the Sunday School, Maplewood.

By Mr. Racine, the Petition of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Vernon.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of the Temperance and Moral Reform Committee of the Methodist Church, Port Colborne.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of Woodhouse, praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of R. S. Stephenson, and others, of Caradoc; also, of C. E. Johnson, and others; also, of J. D. Wilson, and others; also, of Albert Barber, and others, all of Lobo, severally praying for certain amendments to the Act to regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways.

Of the North Toronto Council No. 104 of the R. T. of T., Toronto; also, of the Methodist Church, Mount Carmel; also, of the Baptist Church, Green River; also, of the Board of Managers of the Presbyterian Church, Cameron; also, of the Epworth League, St. Williams; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Epworth League, all of Port Rowan; also, of the Epworth League, Lynedoch; also, of the Epworth League, Victoria Road, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Ninth Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

The Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and report the same with amendments :—

Bill (No. 2), To confirm an Agreement between the Municipality of Dysart and the Canadian Land and Immigration Company of Haliburton, Limited, and others.

Bill (No. 23), Respecting the Town of North Toronto.

Bill (No. 142), Respecting the Township of York.

The Committee recommend that the Rules be suspended, and that the time for presenting Reports of Committees relative to Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Wednesday the Seventh day of April instant.

Ordered, That the time for presenting Reports of Committees relating to Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Wednesday the Seventh day of April instant.

Mr. Hanna, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their Second Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, Numbers 104, 106, 115, 116, 121, 122, 130, 131, 134, 144, 150, 151, 154, 156, 165, 166, 168, 175, 180, 181, 182, 191 and 199, and such of their provisions as have been approved of have been embodied in a Bill intituled "The Municipal Amendment Act, 1909."

Your Committee have also carefully considered the following Bills, and report the same with amendments :—

Bill (No. 145), To amend the Municipal Light and Heat Act.

Bill (No. 146), To amend the Municipal Light and Heat Act.

Bill (No. 152), To amend the Act respecting Statute Labour.

Your Committee have also carefully considered Bills Nos. 119, 143, 148, 164 and 201, to amend The Assessment Act, and recommend that they be referred to a Special Committee, to be appointed, to consider certain Bills to amend The Assessment Act.

Your Committee have amalgamated Bills Nos. 145 and 146 into one Bill (No. 146), To amend the Municipal Light and Heat Act.

Mr. Macdiarmid, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Colonization, presented their First Report, which was read as follows and adopted :—

Your Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 120), To amend the Unorganized Territory Act, and report the same without amendment.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 231), intituled "An Act to amend the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Act." Mr. Reaume.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 232), intituled "An Act respecting the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 183), To amend the Ontario Municipal Securities Act.

Bill (No. 126), Respecting the Niagara Peninsular Railway Company.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 78), Respecting the Courts of General Sessions of the Peace, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. McGarry reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 63), Respecting Witnesses and Evidence, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. McGarry reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 76), Respecting County and District Judges and Local Courts, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. McGarry reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 45), Respecting the Town of Blenheim.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 38), To incorporate the Town of Tilbury.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 52), Respecting the City of London.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting the City of Fort William.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 158), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 6), To confirm a conveyance of lands from the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church of the Town of Barrie to Charlotte Agnes Hambly.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 170), To incorporate the Toronto West End Young Men's Christian Association.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 200), Respecting the Department of Education.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 102), To amend the Pharmacy Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 188), To amend the Public Health Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 223), Respecting Continuation Classes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 226), Respecting Private Detectives, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 222), Respecting the arrest of Fraudulent Debtors, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 128), For the better Administration of Justice, to lessen the number of Appeals and the Cost of Litigation, and for other purposes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 178), To amend the Separate Schools Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 113), To amend the Separate Schools Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 224), Respecting Companies for the improvement of Rivers and Streams, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 3.*)

Also—Report of the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 16.*)

Also—Report of the Secretary and Registrar of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 40.*)

Also—Report upon the Common Gaols of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 42.*)

Also—Report upon the Hospitals and Charities of Ontario, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 43.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.05 p.m.

Monday, 5th April, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. MacKay (Grey), the Petition of the Baptist Church; also, the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School, all of Woodford.

By Mr. Pratt, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Forestville.

By Mr. Mackay (Oxford), the Petition of the Church Officials of the Methodist Church, Maplewood.

By Mr. Fraser, the Petition of the Epworth League of the Central Methodist Church, Port Colborne.

The following Petitions were read and received :—

Of the Township Council of West Williams, praying for the repeal of Section 606 of the Municipal Act, respecting the liability of Municipalities for the non-repair of highways.

Of C. H. Wilson, and others ; also, of John McGregor, and others ; also, of Albert Thompson, and others, all of McGillivray ; also, of Alexander McLeish, and others ; also, of John McLeish, and others ; also, of David James, and others, all of West Williams, severally praying for certain amendments to the Act to regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways.

Of the Sunday School, Wanstead ; also, of the Bethany Methodist Church, of the Township of Culross ; also, of the Epworth League, Kemble ; also, of the Methodist Church, North Kepple ; also, of the Methodist Epworth League, Shelburne ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School ; also, of the Epworth League, all of Oil Springs ; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Hollen ; also, of the W. C. T. U., Port Colborne ; also, of the Methodist Church, St. Williams, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 234), intituled "An Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario." Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 235), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Libraries Act." Sir James Whitney.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 236), intituled "An Act respecting Security by Guarantee Companies." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 237), intituled "An Act respecting Aid to certain Railways." Sir James Whitney.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 238), intituled "An Act to amend the Public Service Act." Sir James Whitney.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 77), Respecting the County Court Judges' Criminal Courts.

Bill (No. 9), To confirm By-law No. 251 of the Township of Springer.

Bill (No. 79), Respecting Escheats and Forfeitures.

Bill (No. 82), Enabling Boards of Trade in Cities to appoint General Arbitrators for certain purposes.

Bill (No. 88), Respecting the Enforcemement of Judges' Orders in Matters not in Court.

Bill (No. 80), Respecting the Administration of the Power of Estates of Intestates.

Bill (No. 89), Respecting the Cost of Distress or Seizure of Chattels.

Bill (No. 73), Respecting the Action of Replevin.

Bill (No. 75), Respecting Millers.

Bill (No. 97), Respecting Investments by Trustees.

Bill (No. 68), Respecting the Publication of Official Notices.

Bill (No. 39), To incorporate the Tillsonburg and Southern Counties Railway Company.

Bill (No. 54), To extend the time to construct the Stratford and St. Joseph Radial Railway.

Bill (No. 226), Respecting Private Detectives.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 90), Respecting Crown Attorneys, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 69), Respecting Law Stamps, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 172), Respecting High Schools and Collegiate Institutes, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Clark (Bruce) reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 222), Respecting the arrest of Fraudulent Debtors, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 45), Respecting the Town of Blenheim.

Bill (No. 38), To incorporate the Town of Tilbury.

Bill (No. 52), Respecting the City of London.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting the City of Fort William, 1909.

Bill (No. 158), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 6), To confirm a conveyance of lands from the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church of the Town of Barrie to Charlotte Agnes Hambly.

Bill (No. 170), To incorporate the Toronto West End Young Men's Christian Association.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 2), To confirm an Agreement between the Municipality of Dysart, the Canadian Land and Immigration Company of Haliburton, Limited, and others.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 23), Respecting the Town of North Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 142), Respecting the Township of York.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 232), Respecting the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 211), The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1909.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Hanna, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Liquor Licenses.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resoution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The Housethen resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That Section 72 of "The Liquor License Act" is amended by striking out the figures "$50" in the 5th line and inserting the figures "$100" in lieu thereof, and by striking out the figures "$100" in the 2nd line and inserting the figures "$200" in lieu thereof.

That Subsection 1 of section 10 of the Act passed in the 6th year of His Majesty's reign, Chaptered 47, is amended by striking out all the words in the 5th, 6th and 7th lines and by inserting in lieu thereof the following:—In a city having a population exceeding 200,000, for a tavern license $1,600; for a shop license $1,000. In a city having a population of more than 100,000 and not more than 200,000, for a tavern license $1,200; for a shop license $1,000.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mahaffy reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Mahaffy reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That section 72 of "The Liquor Lisense Act" is amended by striking out the figures "$50" in the 5th line and inserting the figures "$100" in lieu thereof, and by striking out the figures "$100" in the 2nd line and inserting the figures "$200" in lieu thereof.

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The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 209), To amend the Liquor License Act.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 120), To amend the Unorganized Territory Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 152), To amend the Act respecting Statute Labour, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 173), Respecting Public Schools, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mahaffy reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 225), To amend the Ontario Companies' Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mahaffy reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered. That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No 209), To amend the Liquor License Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mahaffy reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No 200) Respecting the Department of Education, and, after some time spent therein Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

Mr. Proudfoot asked the following Question:—

1. Is the Attorney-General aware of the condition of a number of the cash Mutual Fire Insurance Companies which have been continuously exceeding their authority, under the Act, by writing more cash premium business than they are allowed. If so, the names and position of each. How far has each company exceeded its statutory rights. What remedy does the Government suggest or intend to apply.

To which the Attorney-General replied in the words following:—

1. The attention of the Attorney-General has been drawn to the claim that a number of these companies have exceeded such authority. 2. The

particulars asked for are set out at pages 14 and 16 of the Abstract Report of the Inspector of Insurance, for 1908, distributed among the members of the House during the present Session. 3. The matter is now under the consideration of the Government and the attention of the companies has been called to section 140 of the Ontario Insurance Act.

Mr. McDougal asked the following Question :—

1. What were the quantities of White Fish caught at Gargantua and Michipicoten Islands, together with the dates of shipments, during the months of August, September and October, 1908. 2. Have any new fishing licenses been granted between Sault Ste. Marie and Pancake Point, Lake Superior, since January 1st, 1908, and if so, to whom and on what rates.

To which the Minister of Public Works replied in the words and figures following :—

1. 9,753 pounds. Have no record of dates of equipment. 2. None.

Mr. Nickle asked the following Question :—

1. Has the Government noticed an apparently unwarranted discrimination against the Province of Ontario, shown by section 477 of the Canada Shipping Act, Chap. 113, R. S. O., 1906, whereby all vessels trading between ports of Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and even Newfoundland and the Atlantic Coast as far as New York are declared exempt from the compulsory payment of pilotage dues, while vessels trading from Ontario ports to these other Provinces are required to pay these dues 2. Is the Government aware of any good reason why the amendment of the last Session of the Dominion Parliament, 7 and 8 Edw. VII., Chap. 65, sec. 11, should have been enacted, having regard to the fact that this amendment renders the discrimination more marked than it was by depriving the Province of Ontario of that even limited measure of exemption which its vessels previously enjoyed when drawing less than 16 feet of water, thus rendering all Ontario vessels which have passed through the St. Lawrence 14 foot canal liable to dues at Montreal Harbour, including dues under by-law 25 of that pilotage district every time the vessel moves in that harbour. 3. If so, what are these reasons. 4. Is the Government aware that the amendment of that question was introduced and adopted at Ottawa, at a moment when Ontario vessel owners were urging their claims to have Ontario put on an absolute parity with other Provinces. 5. Does the Government propose to take any steps to remedy what appears to be a grave injustice and a serious discrimination against the people of this Province in favour, not only of Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, but also in favour of Newfoundland and certain Atlantic ports of the United States.

To which the Attorney-General replied in the words following:—

1. The attention of this Government has been directed to the matter set out in question 1. 2. No. 3. Answered by No. 2. 4. It has been so stated to this Government. 5. The Government of Ontario has drawn the attention of the Government of the Dominion to the matter, but cannot take any steps to bring any remedy into effect, as the matter is within the jurisdiction of the Dominion Government and not of this Province.

On motion of Mr. Bowyer, seconded by Mr. Johnson.

Ordered, That there be laid before the House, the Report of the Commissioner who held the recent enquiry into the conduct of W. R. Andrews, the License Inspector of East Elgin, together with the evidence upon which the same is based.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 220), To amend the Act to authorize and regulate the use of Traction Engines on Highways, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House, according to the Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, a sum not exceeding Thirteen millions eight hundred and fifty nine thousand five hundred and eighty-two dollars and forty cents ($13,859,582.40) to meet the Supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Mr. Lucas, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a Resolution which was read as follows:—

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, a sum not exceeding Thirteen millions eight hundred and fifty-nine thousand five hundred and eighty-two dollars and forty cents ($13,859,-582.40), to meet the Supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

The Resolution, having been read a second time, was agreed to.

The following Bill was then introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 239), intituled "An Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money to defray the expenses of Civil Government for the ten months ending 31st October, One thousand nine hundred and nine, and for the year ending 31st day of October, One thousand nine hundred and ten, and for other purposes therein mentioned." Mr. Matheson.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House then adjourned at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, April 6th.

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Carnegie, the Petition of the Epworth League, Lindsay; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Omemee; also, the Petition of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Cameron.

By Mr. Craig, the Petition of the Session of Westminster Church, Mount Forest.

By Mr. Pratt, the Petition of the Epworth League, Port Dover; also, the Petition of the Epworth League, Forestville; also, the Petition of the Men's Bible Class, Woodhouse.

By Mr. Fox, the Petition of the Methodist Church, Fairbairn.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Wolseley Methodist Church, Keppel Township; also, of the Temperance and Moral Reform Committee of the Methodist Church, Port Colborne; also, of the Session of the Presbyterian Church, Vernon; also, of the Teachers and Officers of the Sunday School, Maplewood; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Shelburne, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Mr. Lucas, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Tenth Report, which was read as follows and adopted.

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills and report the same with amendments:—

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the Civil Service Co operative Savings and Loan Society of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 13), To consolidate the debenture debt of the County of Middlesex.

Bill (No. 41), Respecting the City of Toronto.

Bill (No. 31), Respecting the Township of Etobicoke.

Bill (No. 3), Respecting the Marriage Settlement of Robert Woods Prittie and Jane Prittie.

Bill (No. 118), Respecting the Town of Cornwall.

Your Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 163), Respecting the Town of Aurora, and report the same without amendment.

Your Committee recommend that the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 10), Respecting the Town of Sturgeon Falls, and Bill (No. 138), Respecting the Village of Port Elgin, the same having been withdrawn by the promoters thereof.

Your Committee also recommend that the Title of Bill (No. 13), be amended so as to read "An Act respecting the County of Middlesex."

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 10), Sturgeon Falls, and on Bill (No. 138), Port Elgin.

Mr. Hanna, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented their Third Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 207), To amend the Public Health Act, and report the same with certain amendments.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 233), intituled "The Municipal Amendment Act, 1909." Mr. Hanna.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 240), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Drainage Act." Mr. Hanna.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 241), intituled "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways." Mr. Hanna.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 62), Respecting Public Officers.

Bill (No. 71), Respecting Municipal Debentures issued for Drainage Works.

Bill (No 70), Respecting the Public Revenue.

Bill (No. 149), To regulate the Means of Egress from Public Buildings.

Bill (No. 172), Respecting High Schools and Collegiate Institutes.

Bill (No. 45), Respecting the Town of Blenheim.

Bill (No. 38), To incorporate the Town of Tilbury.

Bill (No. 52), Respecting the City of London.

Bill (No. 225), To amend the Ontario Companies Act.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 219), To amend and consolidate the law relating to the payment of Succession Duties, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 223), Respecting Continuation Schools, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 173), Respecting Public Schools, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 231), To amend the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 234), For raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 227), To amend the Railway Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Resolved. That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may set apart out of the ungranted lands of Ontario, within the Districts of Algoma and Thunder Bay, and grant as a subsidy to the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway Company four thousand (4,000) acres of land for every mile of railway which may be constructed by the Company from a point on its constructed line, as shewn on the map of such line filed in the Department of Crown Lands, at or near Sellwood Junction northerly and westerly towards Port Arthur, for a distance not exceeding five hundred (500) miles.

That subject to the provisions of the Act, the said lands shall be granted to the Company in alternate blocks, designated by the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Mines, of one township of nine miles square immediately adjoining or abutting upon the said line of railway extending along the said line of railway in the clay belt. Any deficiency in acreage granted by the Act shall be set apart at such places and in such areas as may be directed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Eilber reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may set apart out of the ungranted lands of Ontario, within the Districts of Algoma and Thunder Bay, and grant as a subsidy to the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway Company four thousand (4,000) acres of land for every mile of railway which may be constructed by the Company from a point on its constructed line, as shewn on the map of such line filed in the Department of Crown Lands, at or near Sellwood Junction northerly and westerly towards Port Arthur, for a distance not exceeding five hundred (500) miles.

That subject to the provisions of the Act, the said lands shall be granted to the Company in alternate blocks, designated by the Minister of Lands, Forests, and Mines, of one township of nine miles square immediately adjoining or abutting upon the said line of railway extending along the said line of railway in the clay belt. Any deficiency in acreage granted by the Act shall be set apart at such places and in such areas as may be directed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 228), Respecting aid to the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolution respecting the Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That an extension to the 31st day of December, 1911, is granted to the Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway Company to earn the Land Grant granted to said Railway by the Act passed in the 63rd year of the reign of Her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, Chap. 30; subject, however, to certain conditions set out in the Act relating to the Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Eilber reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That an extension to the 31st day of December, 1911, is granted to the Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway Company to earn the Land Grant granted to said Railway by the Act passed in the 63rd year of the reign of Her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, Chap. 30; subject, however, to certain conditions set out in the Act relating to the Company.

The Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 230), Respecting the Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolution respecting the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That an extension to the 31st day of December, 1911, be granted to the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway Company to earn the Land Grant granted to the said Railway by the Act passed in the first year of the Reign of His Majesty King Edward VII, chapter 23, with respect to that portion of the line of railway of the Company from Little Current, in the District of Manitoulin, to the Town of Sudbury, subject, however, to certain conditions set out in the Act relating to the Company.

That there shall be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund to the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway Company, for the construction of a Railway from the Town of Little Current to a point about thirteen miles from the Town of Sudbury, a distance not exceeding fifty-three miles, a cash subsidy of five thousand dollars a mile, subject, however, to certain conditions set out in the Act relating to the Company.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Eilber reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That an extension to the 31st day of December, 1911, be granted to the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway Company to earn the Land Grant granted to the said Railway by the Act passed in the first year of the Reign of His Majesty King Edward VII, chapter 23, with respect to that portion of the line of railway of the Company from Little Current, in the District of Manitoulin, to the Town of Sudbury, subject, however, to certain conditions set out in the Act relating to the Company.

That there shall be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund to the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway Company, for the construction of a Railway from the Town of Little Current, to a point about thirteen miles from the, Town of Sudbury, a distance not exceeding fifty-three miles, a cash subsidy of five thousand dollars a mile, subject, however, to certain conditions set out in the Act relating to the Company.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 229), Respecting the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 209), To amend the Liquor License Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Eilber reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No 235), To amend the Public Libraries Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 228), Respecting Aid to the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway, having been read.

Sir James Whitney moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

Mr. MacKay (Grey), moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Clarke (Northumberland),

That all the words of the Motion after the first word "That" be struck out and the following inserted in lieu thereof "the Bill be not now read the second time but be read the second time on this day six months."

And a Debate having arisen,

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair to resume the same, at 8 p.m.

8 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Debate continued, and after some time

The Amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Bowman	McCormack	Proudfoot	Stock
Bowyer	McEwing	Racine	Studholme
Clark (Northumberla'd)	MacKay (Grey	Reed (Wentworth)	Sulman
Elliott	Mackay (Oxford)	Reid (Renfrew)	Truax
Kohler	Mayberry	Ross (Middlesex)	Tudhope—21.
McCart			

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Anderson	Fisher	McDonald	Pharand
Aubin	Fox	McElroy	Pratt
Bradburn	Foy	McGarry	Preston (Durham)
Brewster	Fraser	McKeown	Preston (Lanark)
Brower	Fripp	McNaught	Preston (Rainy River)
Calder	Gallagher	McPherson	Pyne
Carnegie	Galna	Mcdiarmid	Reaume
Carscallen	Godfrey	Machin	Richardson
Charters	Gooderham	Matheson	Ross (Monck)
Clark (Bruce)	Hanna	Morel	Shaw
Cochrane	Hoyle	Musgrove	Shillington
Craig	Jamieson	Neely	Smellie
Dargavel	Jessop	Nesbitt	Thompson (Simcoe)
Devitt	Johnson	Nixon	Thompson (Peterboro
Downey	Lackner	Norman	Torrance
Duff	Lennox	Pattinson	Whitesides
Eilber	Lucas	Paul	Whitney
Ferguson (Simcoe)	McCowan	Pearce	Wilson—73.
Ferguson (Grenville)			

The Motion for the second reading having been then again submitted, the same was declared to be carried on the following division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Anderson	Fisher	McDonald	Pharand
Aubin	Fox	McElroy	Pratt
Bradburn	Foy	McGarry	Preston (Durham)
Brewster	Fraser	McKeown	Preston (Lanark)
Brower	Fripp	McNaught	Preston (Rainy River)
Calder	Gallagher	McPherson	Pyne
Carnegie	Galna	Macdiarmid	Reaume
Carscallen	Godfrey	Machin	Richardson
Charters	Gooderham	Matheson	Ross (Monck)
Clark (Bruce)	Hanna	Morel	Shaw
Cochrane	Hoyle	Musgrove	Shillington
Craig	Jamieson	Neely	Smellie
Dargavel	Jessop	Nesbitt	Thompson (Simcoe)
Devitt	Johnson	Nixon	Thompson (Pererboro)
Downey	Lackner	Norman	Torrance
Duff	Lennox	Pattinson	Whitesides
Eilber	Lucas	Paul	Whitney
Ferguson (Simcoe)	McCowan	Pearce	Wilson—73
Ferguson (Grenville)			

NAYS.

Messieurs :

Bowman	McCormack	Proudfoot	Stock
Bowyer	McEwing	Racine	Studholme
Clark (Northumberla'd)	MacKay (Grey)	Reed (Wentworth)	Sulman
Elliott	Mackay (Oxford)	Reid (Renfrew)	Truax
Kohler	Mayberry	Ross (Middlesex)	Tudhope—21.
McCart			

And the Bill was read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 229), Respecting the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 230), Respecting the Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway Company.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 236), Respecting Security by Guarantee Companies.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 237), Respecting Aid to certain Railways.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 238), To amend the Public Service Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 94), Respecting Dower.

Bill (No. 85), Respecting Damage to Lands by Flooding in the New Districts

Bill (No. 67), Respecting the Office of Sheriff.

Bill (No. 55), Respecting the Town of Midland.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 64), Respecting Jurors and Juries, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Commtttee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 136), Respecting Boards of Education, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 81), Respecting Actions for Libel and Slander, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. McNaught, seconded by Mr. Shaw.

Resolved, That (in view of the fact that Bill (No. 12), Respecting the property of the Salvation Army, has, through inadvertence, been passed to its final stage without the incorporation therein of certain words important to the due carrying into effect of its provisions and intention), the Rules of the House be suspended, and that leave be given to introduce a Bill properly carrying its purpose and intent into effect and that the same be forthwith read a first and second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House, without any observance of the Rules governing Private Bills being complied with.

The following Bill was then introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 242), intituled "An Act respecting the property of the Salvation Army." Mr. McNaught.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the second time, and referred forthwith to a Committee of the Whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

Mr. Foy, from the Standing Committee on Legal Bills, presented their first Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee have carefully considered Bill (No. 137), To amend the Act respecting Police Magistrates, and report the same without amendments.

Your Committee have carefully considered the following Bills, and report the same with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 153), To amend the Surrogate Courts Act.

Bill (No 105), To amend the Division Courts Act.

Mr. Carnegie, from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented their Report, which was read. (*Appendix No. 1.*)

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Lucas, seconded by Mr. Carnegie.

Ordered, That the fees, less the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 24), To provide for the incorporation of the Board of Trustees of the Bruce Mines Hospital, the same being in connection with a charitable institution.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Bureau of Archives for Ontario, 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 34*)

Also—Report of the Inspector of Registry Offices, 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 39.*)

Also—Report of the Provincial Municipal Auditor, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 45.*)

Also—North-west Angle Treaty, No. 3. Claims made by the Dominion against Ontario, etc. (*Sessional Papers No. 50.*)

Also—The James Bay Treaty, No. 9, with pay list for 1906. (*Sessional Papers No. 68.*)

Also—Report and Census on the Feeble Minded in Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 58.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the Fifth day of April, 1909, that the Report of the Commissioner who held the recent enquiry into the conduct of W. R. Andrews, the License Inspector of East Elgin, together with the evidence on which the same is based, be laid upon the Table of the House. (*Sessional Papers No. 66.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the Eighth day of March, 1909, for a Return shewing:—1. When a branch or sub-department of Forestry was established under the Government of Ontario. 2. The names and duties of all officials and employees of the said branch or sub-department in each year since and including the year 1905. 3. Name of any and all officials of the Government of Ontario whose duty it is to deal with forest conservation or re-forestation or either of them, together with a copy of the Orders-in-Council appointing said officials and copies of regulations defining their duties. 4. A statement, in detail, of the lands that have been set aside as forest reserves since the beginning of the year 1905, giving the location and acreage of each. 5. A statement, in detail, of the lands set aside for re-forestation since the beginning of the year 1905, giving the location and acreage of each. (*Sessional Papers No. 67.*)

The House then adjourned at 11.40 p.m.

Wednesday, 7th April, 1909.

PRAYERS. 2 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Sir James Whitney, the Petition of the Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Williamsburg.

By Mr. Pyne, the Petition of the Orient Division, S. O. T., Toronto.

By Mr. Lucas, the Petition of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church; also, the Petition of the Y. P. G. of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, all of Walter's Falls; also, the Petition of the Union Sunday School, Euphrasia.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of the Young Men's Bible Class of Wesley Church, Raleigh.

By Mr. Proudfoot, the Petition of the Baptist Church; also, the Petition of the Baptist Sunday School, all of Strathavon.

By Mr. Charters, the Petition of the Epworth League, Ebenezer.

By Mr. Paul, the Petition of the Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Sunday School, Enterprise; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Long Lake; also, the Petition of the Methodist Sunday School, Wilton.

By Mr. McEwing, the Petition of the Sunday School, North Arthur.

By Mr. Elliott, the Petition of the Epworth League, Caradoc.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the Petition of John Graham, and others, of Adelaide.

By Mr. Reid (Renfrew), the Petition of the Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Union Sabbath School; also, the Petition of Lodge No. 26, I. O. G. T., all of New Glasgow.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Baptist Church; also, of the Baptist Sunday School, all of Woodford; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, Forestville; also, of the Church Officials of the Methodist Church, Maplewood; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Port Colborne.

The following Bills were severally read the third time, and passed:—

Bill (No. 72), Respecting Tile, Stone and Timber Drainage.

Bill (No. 86), Respecting Absconding Debtors.

Bill (No. 93), To prevent Priority among Execution Creditors.

Bill (No. 60), Respecting Arbitration and References.

Bill (No. 65), Respecting the Provisional County of Haliburton.

Bill (No. 66), To provide prompt punishment for Personation at Elections for the Legislative Assembly.

Bill (No. 205), To amend the Act respecting Agricultural Societies.

Bill (No. 222), Respecting the arrest of Fraudulent Debtors.

Bill (No. 18), Respecting the City of Fort William, 1909.

Bill (No. 158), Respecting the City of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 120), To amend the Unorganized Territory Act.

Bill (No. 209), To amend the Liquor License Act.

Bill (No. 146), To amend the Municipal Light and Heat Act.

Bill (No. 179), Respecting the Toronto Suburban Railway Company.

Bill (No. 6), To confirm a conveyance of lands from the Trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church, of the Town of Barrie, to Charlotte Agnes Hambly.

Bill (No. 170), To incorporate the Toronto West End Young Men's Christian Association.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 2), To confirm an Agreement between the Municipality of Dysart, the Canadian Land and Immigration Company of Haliburton, Limited, and others.

Bill (No. 23), Respecting the Town of North Toronto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the Civil Service Co-operative Savings and Loan Society of Ottawa.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 13), Respecting the County of Middlesex

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 41), Respecting the City of Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 31), Respecting the Township of Etobicoke.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 3), Respecting the Marriage Settlement of Robert Woods Prittie and Jane Prittie.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 118), Respecting the Town of Cornwall.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 163), Respecting the Town of Aurora.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Pyne.

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolution respecting the raising of Money upon the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council is authorized to raise, by way of loan, a sum of money not exceeding three million five hundred thousand dollars ($3,500,000) for any and all of the purposes following, that is to say: for the public service; for works carried on by Commissioners on behalf of the Province; for the covering of any debt of the Province on open account; for paying any floating indebtedness of the Province, and for the carrying on of the public works authorized by the Legislature.

That the aforesaid sum of money may be borrowed for any term, or terms, not exceeding forty years, at a rate not exceeding four *per centum per annum*, and shall be raised upon the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, and shall be chargeable thereupon.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Hoyle reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council is authorized to raise, by way of loan, a sum of money not exceeding three million five hundred thousand dollars ($3,500,000) for any and all of the purposes following, that is to say: for the public service; for works carried on by Commissioners on behalf of the Province; for the covering of any debt of the Province on open account; for paying any floating indebtedness of the Province, and for the carrying on of the public works authorized by the Legislature.

That the aforesaid sum of money may be borrowed for any term, or terms, not exceeding forty years, at a rate not exceeding four *per centum per annum,* and shall be raised upon the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, and shall be chargeable thereupon.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 234), For raising Money on the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting Aid to certain Railways.

Sir James Whitney aquainted the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends them to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there shall be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the construction of the railways hereinafter mentioned, the sums following, that is to say:—(*a*) To the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company, from its present terminus at or near Rock Lake, for a distance not exceeding six miles in a northerly direction, a cash subsidy of $3,000 *per* mile. (*b*) To the Central Ontario Railway Company, from its present terminus northerly to the Canada Atlantic Railway Company, between Whitney and Madawaska Station, for a distance not exceeding fifteen miles, a cash subsidy of $3,000 *per* mile.

Resolved, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may set apart, by Order in Council, out of the ungranted lands of Ontario, and grant as subsidies to the

respective railway companies hereinafter mentioned, as follows:—(*a*) To the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company, from its present terminus at or near Rock Lake, for a distance not exceeding six miles in a northerly direction, 1,000 acres *per* mile. (*b*) To the Lac Seul, Rat Portage and Keewatin Railway Company, through the Town of Kenora northerly to the Transcontinental Railway, a distance not exceeding twenty miles, 1,000 acres *per* mile. (*c*) To the Superior and Western Ontario Railway Company, from a point on the Fort William branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, east of Waco Station, northerly a distance not exceeding seven miles, 1,000 acres *per* mile, all subject to certain conditions set out in the Act relating to aid to said specified railways.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had come to certain Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Hoyle reported the Resolutions as follows:—

Resolved, That there shall be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the construction of the railways hereinafter mentioned, the sums following, that is to say:—(*a*) To the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company, from its present terminus at or near Rock Lake, for a distance not exceeding six miles in a northerly direction, a cash subsidy of $3,000 *per* mile. (*b*) To the Central Ontario Railway Company, from its present terminus northerly to the Canada Atlantic Railway Company, between Whitney and Madawaska Station, for a distance not exceeding fifteen miles, a cash subsidy of $3,000 *per* mile.

Resolved, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may set apart, by Order in Council, out of the ungranted lands of Ontario, and grant as subsidies to the respective railway companies hereinafter mentioned, as follows:—(*a*) To the Bruce Mines and Algoma Railway Company, from its present terminus at or near Rock Lake, for a distance not exceeding six miles in a northerly direction, 1,000 acres *per* mile. (*b*) To the Lac Seul, Rat Portage and Keewatin Railway Company, through the Town of Kenora northerly to the Transcontinental Railway, a distance not exceeding twenty miles, 1,000 acres *per* mile. (*c*) To the Superior and Western Ontario Railway Company, from a point on the Fort William branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, east of Waco Station, northerly a distance not exceeding seven miles, 1,000 acres *per* mile, all subject to certain conditions set out in the Act relating to aid to said specified railways

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The Resolutions having been read the second time, were agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 237), Respecting Aid to certain Railways.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 137), To amend the Act respecting Police Magistrates, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 153), To amend the Surrogate Courts Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 228), Respecting Aid to the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 229), Respecting the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway Company, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 230), Respecting the Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway Company, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 237), Respecting Aid to certain Railways, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 236), Respecting Security by Guarantee Companies, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 234), For raising Money on the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a committee to consider Bill (No. 227), To amend the Railway Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 211), The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1909, and, after some time spent therein, Mr Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 167), To amend the Liquor License Act, having been read,

Mr. Proudfoot moved,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And a Debate having ensued,

And it being Six of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair to resume the same at 8 p.m.

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8 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Debate was continued, and after some time,

Mr. Hanna moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Reaume,

That all the words of the Motion, after the first word "That" be omitted, and there be substituted therefor the following, "it is the duty of the Legislature to take such steps as will minimize the drink evil in this Province; that to this end the provisions of the Liquor License Act relating to Local Option have been enacted and have worked well, and this House has confidence that such changes, as experience in the operation of the said provisions may shew to be necessary, or desirable, either in relation to the majority necessary to bring the By-law into effect, or in other respects will, from time to time, be proposed by the Government for the consideration of this House, and this House accordingly orders that the said Bill be not now read a second time, but be read a second time this day six months."

And the Amendment, having been put, the same was carried on the following division:—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Anderson	Ferguson (Simcoe)	McElroy	Pharand
Aubin	Ferguson (Grenville)	McGarry	Pratt
Bowyer	Fisher	McKeown	Preston (Lanark)
Bradburn	Fox	McNaught	Preston (Rainy River)
Brewster	Foy	Macdiarmid	Pyne
Brower	Fraser	Machin	Reaume
Calder	Fripp	Matheson	Richardson
Carscallen	Galna	Morel	Shaw
Charters	Gamey	Musgrove	Shillington
Clark (Bruce)	Godfrey	Neely	Smellie
Cochrane	Gooderham	Nesbitt	Sulman
Craig	Hanna	Nickle	Thompson (Simcoe)
Dargavel	Hoyle	Nixon	Torrance
Devitt	Johnson	Norman	Truax
Donovan	Lackner	Pattinson	Whitesides
Downey	Lennox	Paul	Whitney
Duff	McCowan	Pearce	Wilson—70.
Eilber	McDonald		

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Clarke (Northumberl'd)	McCormack	Mayberry	Stock
Elliott	McDougal	Proudfoot	Studholme
Gallagher	McEwing	Reed (Wentworth)	Thompson Peterboro
Kohler	MacKay (Grey)	Ross (Middlesex)	Tudhope—18.
McCart	Mackay (Oxford)		

PAIRS.

Beck	Lucas.
Mahaffy	McPherson.
Jamieson	Bowman.

The Main Motion, as amended, having been then put, was carried upon the following division :—

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Anderson	Ferguson (Simcoe)	McElroy	Pharand
Aubin	Ferguson (Grenville)	McGarry	Pratt
Bowyer	Fisher	McKeown	Preston (Lanark)
Bradburn	Fox	McNaught	Preston (Rainy River)
Brewster	Foy	Macdiarmid	Pyne
Brower	Fraser	Machin	Reaume
Calder	Fripp	Matheson	Richardson
Carscallen	Galna	Morel	Shaw
Charters	Gamey	Musgrove	Shillington
Clark (Bruce)	Godfrey	Neely	Smellie
Cochrane	Gooderham	Nesbitt	Sulman
Craig	Hanna	Nickle	Thompson (Simcoe)
Dargavel	Hoyle	Nixon	Torrance
Devitt	Johnson	Norman	Traux
Donovan	Lackner	Pattinson	Whitesides
Downey	Lennox	Paul	Whitney
Duff	McCowan	Pearce	Wilson—70.
Eilber	McDonald		

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Clark (Northumberland)	McCormack	Mayberry	Stock
Elliott	McDougal	Proudfoot	Studholme
Gallagher	McEwing	Reed (Wentworth)	Thompson (Peterboro)
Kohler	MacKay (Grey)	Ross (Middlesex)	Tudhope—18.
McCart	Mackay (Oxford)		

PAIRS.

Beck	Lucas.
Mahaffy	McPherson.
Jamieson	Bowman.

And it was

Resolved, That it is the duty of the Legislature to take such steps as will minimize the drink evil in this Province; that to this end the provisions of the Liquor License Act relating to Local Option have been enacted, and have worked well, and the House has confidence that such changes as experience in the operation of the said provisions may show to be necessary or desirable either in relation to the majority necessary to bring the By-law into effect, or in other respects will, from time to time, be proposed by the Government for the consideration of this House; and this House accordingly orders that the said Bill be not now read a second time, but be read a second time this day six months.

The following Bill was read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 59), To incorporate the Sault St. Marie and St. Joseph Island Railway Company.

The following Bills were severally read the second time and passed:—

Bill (No. 233), The Municipal Amendment Act, 1909.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 240), To amend the Municipal Drainage Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 241), To amend the Act to regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House To-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 128), For the better Administration of Justice; to lessen the number of Appeals and Cost of Litigation, and for other purposes, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 211), The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1909, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

And the House having continued to sit until Twelve of the Clock Midnight.

Thursday, 8th April, 1909.

On motion of Mr. Stock, seconded by Mr. Ross (Middlesex),

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of copies of all petitions, papers and correspondence between the Government, or any member and official thereof, and any other person in any way relating to the Village of Tavistock, since the first day of November, 1903.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy

Resolved, That when this House adjourns To-day, it do stand adjourned until Eleven of the Clock in the forenoon, Mr. Speaker to leave the Chair at One P.M. without the question being put.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Fruit Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 17.*)

Also—Report of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 48.*)

Also—Return to an Order of the House of the Fifth day of March, 1909, for a Return, shewing :—1. How many licenses to operate motor vehicles in the Province were granted during the year 1908. 2. How many of these were granted to non-residents and how many to residents of this Province. 3. Were special Constables appointed by the Provincial Government to inforce the Motor Vehicle Law. If so, how many. 4. What expense in regard to their services, or otherwise, was undertaken by the Government in that regard. 5. How many convictions were made for breaches of the law. 6. How many were through the efforts of said Constables, if any. 7. What was the nature of the offences, and what number of convictions were secured under each. 8. What number of these convictions were against non-residents. (*Sessional Papers No. 69.*)

The House then adjourned at 12.15 a.m.

Thursday, 8th April, 1909.

PRAYERS. 11 O'CLOCK A.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Eilber, the Petition of the W. C. T. U., Clinton.

By Mr. Pratt, the Petition of the Quarry Division, S. O. T., Rockville; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, Woodhouse.

By Mr. Donovan, the Petition of the Epworth League of George Street Methodist Church; also, the Petition of the Quarterly Official Board of the George Street Methodist Church, all of Brockville.

By Mr. Preston (Durham), the Petition of the Men's Adult Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Ladies' Adult Bible Class; also, the Petition of the Sunday School, all of Cavanville.

By Mr. Bowyer, the Petition of the Wesley Sunday School, Raleigh.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Session of Westminster Church, Mount Forest; also, of the Epworth League, Port Dover; also, of the Epworth League, Forestville; also of the Methodist Church, Fairbairn; also, of the Men's Bible Class, Woodhouse; also, of the Epworth League, Lindsay; also, of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, Omemee; also, of the Presbyterian Sunday School, Cameron; also, of the Presbyterian Church; also, of the Methodist Sunday School, all of Williamsburg; also, of the Orient Division, S. O. T., Toronto; also, of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church; also, of the Y. P. G. of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, all of Walter's Falls; also, of the Union Sunday School, Euphrasia; also, of the Young Men's Class of Wesley Church, Raleigh; also, of the Officers of the Baptist Church; also, of the Baptist Sunday School, all of Strathavon; also, of the Epworth League, Ebenezer; also, of the Adult Bible Class of the Methodist Sunday School, Enterprise; also of the Methodist Sunday School, Long Lake; also, of the Sunday School of the Methodist Church, Wilton; also, of the Sunday School, North Arthur; also, of the Epworth League, Caradoc; also, of the Methodist Church; also, of the Union Sabbath School; also, of Lodge No. 26, I. O. G. T., all of New Glasgow, severally praying for certain amendments to the Liquor License Act, respecting majority rule.

Of John Graham, and others, of Adelaide, praying for certain amendments to the Act to regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways.

The following Bill was read the third time, and passed :—

Bill (No. 152), To amend the Act respecting Statute Labour.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 96), Respecting Mortmain and the Disposition of Land for Charitable Uses, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 95), Respecting Execution, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 142), Respecting the Township of York.

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the Civil Service Co-operative Savings and Loan Society of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 13), Respecting the County of Middlesex.

Bill (No. 31), Respecting the Township of Etobicoke.

Bill (No. 118), Respecting the Town of Cornwall.

Bill (No. 163), Respecting the town of Aurora.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without any amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported, be severally read the third time To-day.

On motion of Mr. Reaume, seconded by Mr. Hanna.

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That it shall be lawful for the Commission, with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, to establish a Land Department to administer town sites and do such other work as shall be designated by the Commission; and it shall further be lawful for the Commission, with such approval as aforesaid, from time to time, when deemed advisable, to appoint one of the Commissioners to take the charge and oversight of such Department, and to pay to such Commissioner while in charge of such Department such remuneration, in addition to the honorarium aforesaid, as the Commission shall see fit, not exceeding at the rate of $1,500 *per annum.*

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That it shall be lawful for the Commission, with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, to establish a Land Department to administer town sites and do such other work as shall be designated by the Commission; and it shall further be lawful for the Commission, with such approval as aforesaid, from time to time, when deemed advisable, to appoint one of the Commissioners to take the charge and oversight of such Department and to pay to such Commissioner while in charge of such Department such remuneration, in addition to the honorarium aforesaid, as the Commission shall see fit, not exceeding at the rate of $1,500 *per annum.*

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 231), To amend the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Act.

On motion of Mr. Foy, seconded by Sir James Whitney.

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That in order to complete the work proposed and purchase lands necessary thereto, as described in section 2 of the Act passed in the Eighth year of His Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act respecting the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park," the Commissioners may, from time to time, with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, issue further debentures to an amount not exceeding $200,000. Their form and effect, payment with interest, security guarantee and negotiability shall be as provided by section 11 of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Act and the amendments thereto, with respect to the debentures therein mentioned, the proceeds of the said debentures, as may be ordered by the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario in Council, shall be applied as provided by section 2 aforesaid.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That in order to complete the work proposed and purchase lands necessary thereto, as described in section 2 of the Act passed in the Eighth year of His Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act respecting the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park," the Commissioners may, from time to time, with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, issue further debentures to an amount not exceeding $200,000. Their form and effect, payment with interest, security guarantee and negotiability shall be as provided by section 11 of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Act and the amendments thereto, with respect to the

debentures therein mentioned, the proceeds of the said debentures, as may be ordered by the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario in Council, shall be applied as provided by section 2 aforesaid.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 232), Respecting the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park.

On motion of Mr. Hanna, seconded by Mr. Reaume.

Resolved, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Motor Vehicles on Highways.

Sir James Whitney acquainted the House, that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That any person violating any of the provisions of sections 3, 8 or 11 of the Act to regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways, shall, upon summary conviction, be liable for the first offence to a fine of $50 or one week's imprisonment, or both; for the second offence a fine of $100 or one month's imprisonment, or both, and for the third offence or any subsequent offence, to imprisonment not exceeding six months.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported the Resolution as follows:—

Resolved, That any person violating any of the provisions of sections 3, 8 or 11 of the Act to regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways, shall, upon summary conviction, be liable for the first offence to a fine of $50 or one week's imprisonment, or both; for the second offence a fine of $100 or one month's imprisonment, or both, and for the third offence or any subsequent offence, to imprisonment not exceeding six months.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bill (No. 241), To amend the Act to regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 233), The Municipal Amendment Act, 1909, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 231), To amend the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 41), Respecting the City of Toronto, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 3), Respecting the Marriage Settlement of Robert Woods Prittie and Jane Prittie, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thompson (Simcoe), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-day.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Resolved, That the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented to this House and read and adopted on the Second day of April, 1909, together with the several Bills mentioned therein, namely: Bills numbered 119, 143, 148, 164, and 201, To amend the Assessment Act, be referred to a Special Committee to consist of the following Members of this House:—Sir James Whitney and Messieurs Hanna, Matheson, McNaught, Johnson, Lucas, Pharand, Dargaval, Hearst, Torrance, Bowyer, Macdiarmid, Preston (Durham), Pattinson, Fripp, Nickle, Clark (Bruce), Eilber, Brewster, Hoyle, Studholme, McKay (Grey), Reid (Wentworth), Stock, McCart, McEwing, Ross (Middlesex), Proudfoot and Elliott, and that the said Special Committee be authorized and instructed to meet during the coming Recess and devote such time, as in their judgment may seem meet, to the consideration of such Bills and such other Amendments to the Assessment Law as may seem desirable, and make their recommendations with reference thereto, in a Report to this House to be presented at the ensuing Session.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed.

Bill (No. 142), Respecting the Township of York.

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the Civil Service Co-operative Savings and Loan Society of Ottawa.

Bill (No. 13), Respecting the County of Middlesex.

Bill (No. 41), Respecting the City of Toronto.

Bill (No. 31), Respecting the Township of Etobicoke.

Bill (No. 3), Respecting the Marriage Settlement of Robert Woods Prittie and Jane Prittie.

Bill (No. 118), Respecting the Town of Cornwall.

Bill (No. 163), Respecting the Town of Aurora.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 232), Respecting the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 105), To amend the Division Courts Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 207), To amend the Public Health Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

And it being One of the Clock, Mr. Speaker left the Chair to resume the same at Three.

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3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Clarke (Bruce), from the Standing Committee on Printing presented their Second Report, which was read as follows:—

Your Committee recommend that the following Documents be printed:

Supplementary Estimates, for the year 1909, and Estimates, for the year 1910. (*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Report of the Minister of Lands, Forest and Mines, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 3.*)

Report of the Bureau of Mines, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 4.*)

Report of the Minister of Public Works, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 6.*)

Report on the Registration of Brths, Marriages and Deaths. (*Sessional Papers No. 7.*)

Report of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board. (*Sessional Papers No. 9.*)

Report of the Minister of Education, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

Report of the Ontario Agricultural College. (*Sessional Papers No. 14.*)

Report of the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union. (*Sessional Papers No. 15.*)

Report of the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 16.*)

Report of the Fruit Branch, 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 17.*)

Report of the Vegetable Growers' Association. (*Sessional Papers No. 18.*)

Report of the Entomological Society of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 19.*)

Report of the Bee-Keepers' Association of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 20.*)

Report of the Dairymen's Association of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 21.*)

Report on the Reforestation of Waste Lands in Southern Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 23.*)

Report of the Horticultural Societies of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 27.*)

Report of the Bureau of Industries. (*Sessional Papers No. 28.*)

Reports of the Inspectors of Factories for Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 29.*)

Report on Highway Improvement in Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 31.*)

Report of Game and Fisheries Department. (*Sessional Papers No. 32.*)

Report of the Ontario Veterinary College, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 33.*)

Report of the Bureau of Archives for Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 34.*)

Report on work for Ontario's Children. (*Sessional Papers No. 35.*)

Report of the Provincial Board of Health. (*Sessional Papers No. 36.*)

Report of the Inspector of Division Courts, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 37.*)

Report of the Inspector of Legal Offices, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 38.*)

Report of the Inspector of Registry Offices, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 39.*)

Report of the Secretary and Registrar of the Province, for the year 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 40.*)

Report upon the Hospitals for the Insane of the Province. (*Sessional Papers No. 41.*)

Report upon the Common Gaols of the Province of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 42.*)

Report upon the Hospitals and Charities, etc. of the Province. (*Sessional Papers No. 43.*)

Report of the Provincial Municipal Auditor. (*Sessional Papers No. 54.*)

Report of the Hydro-Electric Commission. (*Sessional Papers No. 48.*)

Report of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Commission. (*Sessional Papers No. 49.*)

North West Angle Treaty No. 3. (*Sessional Papers No. 50.*)

Return shewing number of School Inspectors in Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 53.*)

Certain Agreements made for the supply of Printing Paper required by the Government for a term of three years. (*Sessional Papers No. 54.*)

Report and Census on the Feeble Minded in Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 58.*)

Report of the Corn Growers' Association of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 60.*)

Report of the Department of Agriculture. (*Sessional Papers No. 61.*)

Report on Farming Opportunities in the Province of Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 62.*) *To be printed for distribution only.*

Report upon the Hospitals for the Idiotic and Epileptic. (*Sessional Papers No. 65.*)

James Bay Treaty No. 9. (*Sessional Papers No. 68.*)

Report of Commission of Enquiry into the conduct of W. R. Andrews, License Inspector of East Elgin. (*Sessional Papers No. 66.*)

Your Committee recommend that 2,000 additional copies of the Eighteenth Report of the Bureau of Mines be printed.

Your Committee also recommend the purchase of the following Documents for distribution to the Members of the Legislative Assembly:

115 Copies of "Five Thousand Facts about Canada."

115 Copies of "The Canadian Annual Review."

Your Committee recommend that the following Documents be not printed:

Copies of Orders in Council under the Provisions of Section 187 of "The Judicature Act" and subsection 2 of section 84 of "The Surrogate Courts Act." (*Sessional Papers No. 55.*)

Return showing the names of all the Collegiate Institutes, High Schools and Continuation Schools in the Province. (*Sessional Papers No. 56.*)

Return of the Master of Titles, for the years 1906, 1907 and 1908. (*Sessional Papers No. 57.*)

Statement on the Distribution of Sessional and Revised Statutes. (*Sessional Papers No. 59.*)

Report of Commissioner Starr appointed *re* Liquor Licenses in Toronto. (*Sessional Papers No. 63.*)

Return, shewing appointments made by the Government to any Educational office since its inception. (*Sessional Papers No. 64.*)

Return, *re* Forestry Branch of Department of Agriculture. (*Sessional Papers No. 67.*)

Return, *re* Motor Vehicles. (*Sessional Papers No. 69.*)

Return, shewing how many Emigrants the Salvation Army brought out from Great Britain during the season of 1908. (*Sessional Papers. No. 70.*)

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Second Report of the Standing Committe on Printing.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 81), Respecting Actions for Libel and Slander.

Bill (No. 2), To confirm an Agreement between the Municipality of Dysart, the Canadian Land and Immigration Company of Haliburton, Limited, and others.

Bill (No. 23), Respecting the Town of North Toronto.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 211), The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1909, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville), reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill, (with certain amendments).

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 227), To amend The Railway Act, having been read.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be forthwith again referred to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ferguson (Grenville) reported, That the Committee had amended the Bill as directed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 228), Respecting Aid to the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway, having been read.

Sir James Whitney moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. MacKay (Grey), moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Proudfoot,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following inserted in lieu thereof: "this House is of opinion that the Public Lands should be reserved for the Settlers and that no lands whatever should be granted to assist in railway construction, and therefore this House orders that the Bill be not now read the third time, but be read a third time on this day six months."

And the Amendment, having been put, the same was declared to be lost on the following division:

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Bowman	McCormack	Proudfoot	Stock
Bowyer	McEwing	Racine	Studholme
Clarke (Northumberl'd)	MacKay (Grey)	Reed (Wentworth)	Sulman
Elliott	Mackay (Oxford)	Reid (Renfrew)	Truax
Kohler	Mayberry	Ross (Middlesex)	Tudhope—21.
McCart			

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Anderson	Fisher	McDonold	Pharand
Aubin	Fox	McElroy	Pratt
Bradburn	Foy	McGarry	Preston (Durham)
Brewster	Fraser	McKeown	Preston (Lanark)
Brower	Fripp	McNaught	Preston (Rainy River)
Calder	Gallagher	McPherson	Pyne
Carnegie	Galna	Mcdiarmid	Reaume
Carscallen	Godfrey	Machin	Richardson
Charters	Gooderham	Matheson	Ross (Monck)
Clark (Bruce)	Hanna	Morel	Shaw
Cochrane	Hoyle	Musgrove	Shillington
Craig	Jamieson	Neely	Smellie
Dargavel	Jessop	Nesbitt	Thompson (Simcoe)
Devitt	Johnson	Nixon	Thompson (Peterboro
Downey	Lackner	Norman	Torrance
Duff	Lennox	Pattinson	Whitesides
Eilber	Lucas	Paul	Whitney
Ferguson (Simcoe)	McCowan	Pearce	Wilson—73.
Ferguson (Grenville)			

PAIRS.

None.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again proposed,

Mr. McEwing moved, seconded by Mr. Mayberry,

That all the words in the Motion after the first word "That" be struck out and the following substituted in lieu thereof: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by adding the following clause: "This Act shall not come into force until an Order in Council, to that effect, shall have been passed and published, but that said Order shall not issue until the following Question has been submitted by the various Municipal Councils, to the Electors entitled to vote at an Election for Members of this Legislature, at the time of holding the Municipal Elections in January next, or at such earlier date as the Government may appoint, and a majority of the said Electors shall have answered the said Question in the affirmative, namely: "Are you in favour of Bill (No. 228), conditionally passed at the "last Session of the Local Legislature and intituled, 'An Act respecting Aid "to the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway,' becoming law."

And the Amendment, having been submitted to the House, was declared to be lost on a division.

The Motion for the third reading of the Bill being then again put,

Mr. MacKay (Grey), moved, seconded by Mr. Clarke (Northumberland),

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read the third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend the same by striking out Clause (*b*) of Section 4 of the said Bill and inserting in lieu thereof as said Clause (*b*), the following:—

"The price at which the said lands shall be sold shall be fixed and determined not later than the thirty-first day of December of the present year and the price so fixed shall not thereafter be changed."

And by adding as Clause (*c*) to said Section 4, the following:—

"The Company shall not be allowed to sell any portion of said lands except to intending *bona fide* Settlers."

And the Amendment, having been submitted to the House, was declared to be lost on a division.

The Motion for the third reading of the Bill having been then again put, the same was carried on the following division.

YEAS.

Messieurs:

Anderson	Fisher	McDonald	Pharand
Aubin	Fox	McElroy	Pratt
Bradburn	Foy	McGarry	Preston (Durham)
Brewster	Fraser	McKeown	Preston (Lanark)
Brower	Fripp	McNaught	Preston (Rainy River)
Calder	Gallagher	McPherson	Pyne
Carnegie	Galna	Macdiarmid	Reaume
Carscallen	Godfrey	Machin	Richardson
Charters	Gooderham	Matheson	Ross (Monck)
Clark (Bruce)	Hanna	Morel	Shaw
Cochrane	Hoyle	Musgrove	Shillington
Craig	Jamieson	Neely	Smellie
Dargavel	Jessop	Nesbitt	Thompson (Simcoe)
Devitt	Johnson	Nixon	Thompson (Peterboro)
Downey	Lackner	Norman	Torrance
Duff	Lennox	Pattinson	Whitesides
Eilber	Lucas	Paul	Whitney
Ferguson (Simcoe)	McCowan	Pearce	Wilson—73.
Ferguson (Grenville)			

NAYS.

Messieurs:

Bowman	McCormack	Proudfoot	Stock
Bowyer	McEwing	Racine	Studholme
Clarke (Northumberl'd)	MacKay (Grey)	Reed (Wentworth)	Sulman
Elliott	Mackay (Oxford)	Reid (Renfrew)	Truax
Kohler	Mayberry	Ross (Middlesex)	Tudhope—21.
McCart			

PAIRS.

None.

And the Bill was accordingly read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 237), Respecting Aid to certain Railways having been read,

Sir James Whitney moved,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. MacKay (Grey), moved, in Amendment, seconded by Mr. Elliott,

That all the words of the Motion, after the word "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "when this House has decided that a Colonization Railway is deserving of support and ought to receive Provincial Aid, and where it is not advisable to guarantee the Bonds of such Railway, Aid should be given by means of a definite cash grant rather than by means of Land Grants, and therefore, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House with instructions to amend said Bill by striking out all portions thereof, providing for Land Grants and substituting instead reasonable Cash Grants."

And the Amendment, having been put, was declared to be lost on a division.

The Motion for the third reading having been then again proposed, the same was carried on a division, and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

Mr. MacKay (Grey), moved, seconded by Mr. McDougal,

That this House is of opinion:—1. That the necessary Legislation should be introduced to provide:—(*a*) That except as to the Counties of York, Wentworth, Carleton and Middlesex, the office of Local Master of the High Court of Justice shall be abolished, and that wherever, by any statute or

rules or otherwise, any act or thing is required to be done by a Local Master, the same shall be performed by the County or District Judge or a junior judge without extra salary or fees. (*b*) That whenever and as often as the Court or Judge refers any question to any County or District Judge in his capacity of Official Referee for enquiry and report, the said Judge shall make such enquiry and report without any extra salary or fees. (*c*) That the collection of revenue by the Province through the sale of law stamps shall be discontinued. 2. That henceforth a very substantial reduction should be made in the fees payable to examiners for taking and transcribing examinations for discovery and other examinations in actions, and to Court stenographers for the making of copies of evidence taken at trials.

And a Debate having arisen thereon, the Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. McDougal moved, seconded by Mr. Reed (Wentworth),

1. That this Legislature is of the opinion that there should be no appeal from the Courts of this Province to the Supreme Court of Canada in cases in which the amount involved is $5,000 or less. 2. That the Attorney-General be instructed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Minister of Justice of Canada, with a request that legislation be introduced in the Parliament of Canada to carry into effect the principle enunciated in the preceding paragraph hereof.

And a Debate having ensued, the Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. Proudfoot moved, seconded by Mr. Kohler,

That this Legislature respectfully recommends that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council be pleased to appoint a Royal Commission, composed of a competent person, or persons, with such instructions and powers as may be necessary to enable it to enquire into and investigate the various matters hereafter set forth, and report its findings together with such recommendations as may be considered advisable, viz.:—1st. The position of the various Friendly and Benevolent Insurance Companies and Societies doing business in and licensed by this Province, and what steps should be taken to place them on a sound financial and permanent basis. The position of the various Foreign Friendly and Benevolent Insurance Companies and Societies doing business in this Province, and what security is provided for the Canadian members. 2nd. To enquire into the conduct of the business of the Mutual and Cash Mutual Fre Insurance Companies, licensed by this Government to do business in the Province, and ascertain in how far they have conducted their affairs according to Statutes, and what steps should be taken to remedy defects (if any) and place same (if not) on a sound financial basis. 4th. To ascertain what fire insurance has been placed

or effected by residents and Corporations doing business in the Province with Foreign Corporations during the Year 1908, and what steps should be taken to prevent insurance being so effected and the business transacted in this Province.

And a Debate arising, the Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. Lucas moved, seconded by Mr. McNaught,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid, in due course and form, before the Parliament of Canada, the desire of this House, that such legislation may be passed by the Parliament of Canada as may be necessary either:—

(1) To enable the Province of Ontario to expropriate, upon fair and equitable terms, all the property within the Province of Ontario, of any person, company, or corporation carrying on a telephone business within the Province of Ontario; or in the alternative;

(2) To vest in the Legislatures of the several Provinces, or the Legislature of the Province of Ontario, full power and authority to control and regulate within the territorial jurisdiction of each Province, or the Province of Ontario, all persons, companies, or corporations carrying on a telephone business therein, reserving to the Parliament of Canada the control and regulation of inter-Provincial business only.

And a Debate having ensued, the Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 185), To amend the Workman's Compensation Act having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 186), "The Fair Wages and Hours of Labour Regulation Act, 1909" having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 187), To amend the Ontario Election Act and the Municipal Act, 1903, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 241), To amend the Act to regulate the speed and operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the

Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time and passed.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 240), To amend the Municipal Drainage Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lucas reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Sir James Whitney, seconded by Mr. Foy,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns To-day, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next, the Thirteenth day of April instant, at three of the clock in the afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Pyne,

Resolved, That the full Sessional Idemnity of One thousand dollars be paid to each Member of this House for the present Session.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 128), For the better Administration of Justice; to lessen the number of Appeals and the Cost of Litigation, and for other purposes.

Bill (No. 229), Respecting the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway.

Bill (No. 230), Respecting the Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway.

Mr. Hanna presented to the House,

Return to an Order of the House of the twenty-fourth day of March, 1909, for a Return shewing:—1. How many Emigrants the Salvation Army brought out from Great Britain and Ireland during the season of 1908. 2. How many were male and how many female. 3. How many were placed in the homes of the farmers of the Province of Ontario. 4. The names and addresses of the farmers, and if those so placed remained; how long, with names and addresses of any still remaining. Also, shewing:—1. How many Emigrants the Government of this Province brought out from Great Britain and Ireland during the season of 1908. 2. How many were male and how many female. 3. How many were placed in the homes of the farmers of the farmers of the Province of Ontario. 4. The names and addresses of the

farmers and if those so placed remained, and if so, how long; with the names and addresses of any still remaining. Also, shewing:—1. How many farmers the Government induced to come to the Province of Ontario during the year 1908. 2. How many rented, leased, or purchased farms, and are they still on the farms, and if not, why. 3. Shewing any who took up Government land, and if so, if they purchased it or acquired it on the homesteading plan. 4. The names and addresses of such farmers. (*Sessional Papers No. 70.*)

The House then adjourned at 6.30 p.m.

Tuesday, 13th April, 1909.

PRAYERS. 3 O'Clock P.M.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 243), intituled "An Act to amend the Statute Law Amendment Act, 1909." Mr. Foy.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the second time and referred to a Committee of the Whole House forthwith.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoyle reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, , That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

Mr. Speaker then left the Chair.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor proceeded in State to the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and took his seat upon the Throne.

The Clerk Assistant then read the Titles of the Acts which had passed severally as follows:—

9 Edw. VII., Chap.

2. An Act respecting the Provincial County of Haliburton.

3. An Act to provide Prompt Punishment for Personation at Elections for the Legislative Assembly.

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Chap.

4. An Act to amend the Public Service Act.

5. An Act respecting Public Officers.

6. An Act respecting the Office of Sheriff.

7. An Act respecting the Publication of Official Notices.

8. An Act for raising money on the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario.

9. An Act respecting the Public Revenue.

10. An Act to amend the Audit Act.

11. An Act respecting the Fiscal Year.

12. An Act to amend and consolidate the law relating to the payment of Succession Duty.

13. An Act respecting Law Stamps.

14. An Act to amend The Supplementary Revenue Act of 1907.

15. An Act to amend The Free Grants and Homesteads Act.

16. An Act to amend The Forest Reserves Act.

17. An Act to amend and Improve the law respecting Mine Accidents and Operation of Mines.

18. An Act to amend The Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway Act.

19. An Act to amend An Act passed in the 7th year of His Majesty's Reign, Chaptered 19, intituled "An Act to provide for the transmission of Electrical Power to Municipalities," to validate certain contracts entered into with the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, and for other purposes.

20. An Act to amend The Act to provide for Development of Water Power at Dog Lake.

21. An Act respecting Municipal Debentures issued for Drainage Works.

22. An Act respecting Tile, Stone and Timber Drainage Debentures.

23. An Act to amend The Act respecting Agricultural Societies.

24. An Act respecting the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park.

25. An Act to amend the Act respecting Burlington Beach.

26. The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1909.

9 Edw. VII.,
Chap.

27. An Act to amend The Judicature Act.

28. An Act for the better Administration of Justice, to lessen the number of Appeals and the costs of litigation, and for other purposes.

29. An Act respecting County and District Judges and Local Courts.

30. An Act respecting the Courts of General Sessions of the Peace.

31. An Act respecting the County Court Judges' Criminal Courts.

32. An Act to amend The Surrogate Courts Act.

33. An Act to amend The Act respecting Division Courts.

34. An Act respecting Jurors and Juries.

35. An Act respecting Arbitration and References.

36. An Act enabling Boards of Trade in Cities to appoint General Arbitrators for certain purposes.

37. An Act respecting Lunatics.

38. An Act respecting Actions of Replevin.

39. An Act respecting Dower.

40. An Act respecting Actions for Libel and Slander.

41. An Act respecting the Action of Seduction.

42. An Act respecting the Administration by the Crown of Estates of Intestates.

43. An Act respecting Witnesses and Evidence.

44. An Act respecting Commissioners for taking Affidavits.

45. An Act respecting the Costs of Distress or Seizure of Chattels.

46. An Act respecting the Enforcement of Judges' Orders in matters not in Court.

47. An Act respecting Execution.

48. An Act to prevent Priority among Execution Creditors.

49. An Act respecting Absconding Debtors.

50. An Act respecting the Arrest of Fraudulent Debtors.

51. An Act for more effectually securing the Liberty of the Subject.

9 Edw. VII.,
Chap.

52. An Act for expediting the decision of Constitutional and other Provincial Questions.

53. An Act respecting damage to Lands by Flooding in the New Districts.

54. An Act to amend The Act respecting Police Magistrates.

55. An Act respecting Crown Attorneys.

56. An Act to amend The Unorganized Territory Act.

57. An Act respecting Escheats and Forfeitures.

58. An Act respecting Mortmain and the Disposition of Land for Charitable uses.

59. An Act respecting Investments by Trustees.

60. An Act respecting Ferries.

61. An Act respecting Millers.

62. An Act to amend The Marriage Act.

63. An Act respecting Notaries Public.

64. An Act to amend The Pharmacy Act.

65. An Act to amend The Act respecting Stationary Engineers.

66. An Act to amend The Ontario Companies Act.

67. An Act respecting Security by Guarantee Companies.

68. An Act to amend The Ontario Railway Act, 1906.

69. An Act respecting Aid to certain Railways.

70. An Act respecting the Algoma Central and Hudson Bay Railway Company.

71. An Act respecting Aid to the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway.

72. An Act respecting the Manitoulin and North Shore Railway Company.

73. The Municipal Amendment Act, 1909.

74. An Act to amend The Municipal Act.

75. An Act respecting certain Municipal By-laws and Agreements.

76. An Act to amend The Ontario Municipal Securities Act, 1908.

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77. An Act to amend The Act respecting Statute Labour.

78. An Act to amend The Municipal Drainage Act.

79. An Act to amend The Municipal Light and Heat Act.

80. An Act respecting Public Libraries and Art Schools.

81. An Act to amend The Act to Regulate the Speed and Operation of Motor Vehicles on Highways.

82. An Act to amend The Liquor License Act.

83. An Act respecting Private Detectives.

84. An Act to amend The Public Health Act.

85. An Act to amend The Public Health Act.

86. An Act to regulate the Manufacture of Dairy Products.

87. An Act to regulate the Means of Egress from Public Buildings.

88. An Act respecting the Department of Education.

89. An Act respecting Public Schools.

90. An Act respecting Continuation Schools.

91. An Act respecting High Schools.

92. An Act respecting Truancy and Compulsory School Attendance.

93. An Act respecting the Acquisition of Land for School Purposes.

94. An Act respecting Boards of Education.

95. An Act to amend The University Act, 1906.

96. An Act respecting The Ontario Veterinary College.

97. An Act respecting the Town of Aurora.

98. An Act respecting the Town of Blenheim.

99. An Act respecting the City of Brantford.

100. An Act to confirm By-laws No. 815 and No. 250 of the City of Chatham.

101. An Act respecting the Town of Collingwood.

102. An Act respecting the Town of Cornwall.

103. An Act respecting the Floating Debt of the Town of Dundas.

104. An Act to confirm an agreement between the Municipality of Dysart, the Canadian Land and Immigration Company of Haliburton, Limited, and others.

105. An Act respecting the Township of Etobicoke.

106. An Act respecting the City of Fort William.

107. An Act respecting the City of Hamilton.

108. An Act respecting the Town of Kenora.

109. An Act to confirm and validate a certain By-law of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Kingston.

110. An Act respecting the City of London.

111. An Act respecting the County of Middlesex.

112. An Act respecting the Town of Midland.

113. An Act respecting the Municipality of Neebing.

114. An Act respecting the Town of North Toronto.

115. An Act respecting the City of Ottawa.

116. An Act respecting the City of Ottawa.

117. An Act respecting the establishment in the City of Ottawa of a Hospital or Sanatorium for the reception, care and treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis.

118. An Act respecting the City of Port Arthur.

119. An Act to confirm By-law 1995 of the City of St. Catharines.

120. An Act respecting certain Debts of the Town of Sarnia.

121. An Act respecting the Town of Sault Ste. Marie.

122. An Act respecting the Town of Smith's Falls.

123. An Act to confirm By-law No. 251 of the Township of Springer.

124. An Act to incorporate the Town of Tilbury.

125. An Act respecting the City of Toronto.

126. An Act respecting the Town of Trenton.

127. An Act respecting the Village of West Lorne.

128. An Act respecting the Township of York.

129. An Act to incorporate the Belleville Radial Railway Company.

130. An Act respecting the Canada Central Railway Company.

131. An Act to incorporate the Cobourg, Port Hope and Havelock Electric Railway Company.

132. An Act to incorporate the Cobourg Radial Railway Company.

133. An Act respecting the Dunnville, Wellandport and Beamsville Electric Railway Company.

134. An Act to incorporate The Eastern Ontario Electric Railway Company.

135. An Act to incorporate the Lake Superior and Northern Railway and Transportation Company.

136. An Act to amend the Act to incorporate The Morrisburg Electric Railway Company.

137. An Act respecting The Niagara Peninsular Railway Company.

138. An Act respecting The Ontario Interurban Railway Company.

139. An Act respecting The Ontario West Shore Electric Railway Company.

140. An Act to incorporate The Ottawa and St. Lawrence Electric Railway Company.

141. An Act to incorporate the People's Railway Company.

142. An Act respecting the Peterborough Radial Railway Company.

143. An Act to incorporate The Sault Ste. Marie and St. Joseph Island Railway Company.

144. An Act to extend the time to construct the Stratford and St. Joseph Radial Railway.

145. An Act to incorporate Simcoe Railway and Power Company.

146. An Act respecting the South Western Traction Company.

147. An Act to incorporate the Tillsonburg and Southern Counties Radial Railway Company.

148. An Act respecting the Toronto Suburban Railway Company.

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Chap.

149. An Act respecting the Canadian Casualty and Boiler Insurance Company.

150. An Act to incorporate the Civil Service Savings and Loan Society of Ottawa.

151. An Act respecting the Farrar Transportation Company, Limited.

152. An Act respecting the Merchants' Fire Insurance Company.

153. An Act respecting St. John's Church, Ancaster.

154. An Act respecting Knox Church Burying Ground.

155. An Act to confirm a Conveyance of certain lands from the trustees of the Collier Street Methodist Church of the Town of Barrie to Charlotte Agnes Hambly.

156. An Act respecting the Trusts of the Conveyance of certain lands to Trustees for "The Tabernacle Church."

157. An Act to incorporate the Board of Trustees of the Bruce Mines Hospital and for other purposes.

158. An Act respecting the Owen Sound Young Men's Christian Association.

159. An Act respecting the Salvation Army.

160. An Act to incorporate the Toronto West End Young Men's Christian Association.

161. An Act respecting The Upper Canada Bible Society and The Upper Canada Religious Tract and Bible Society.

162. An Act to amend The Act respecting the School of Mining and Agriculture at Kingston.

163. An Act respecting the Rideau Club.

164. An Act respecting the Marriage Settlement of Robert Woods Prittie and Jane Prittie.

165. An Act respecting George Macaulay Diehl Van Koughnet.

To these Acts the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:—

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Acts."

The Title of the following Acts were then read by the Clerk Assistant:—

An Act respecting the property of the Salvation Army.

An Act to amend the Municipal Act.

To these Acts the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly did say:—

"His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor withholds His Majesty's assent to these Acts, the purpose and provisions thereof having been fully and more properly provided for in other Acts, bearing similar titles, to which His Honour has already assented to in His Majesty's name."

Mr. Speaker then said:

May it please Your Honour:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and faithful subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, in Session assembled, approach your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to His Majesty's person and Government, and humbly beg to present for our Honour's acceptance a Bill intituled "An Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the public service of the financial period of ten months ending on the 31st day of October, 1909, and for the public service of the financial year ending the 31st day of October, 1910."

To this Act the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, in the following words:

"His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, accept their benevolence and assent to this Act in His Majesty's name."

His Honour was then pleased to deliver the following Speech:—

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:—

Although this, the first Session of the Twelfth Legislature of Ontario, has not occupied a long period of time, the number, the variety and the important character of the enactments placed upon the Statute Book bear witness to the intelligence and the industry with which you have applied yourselves to the performance of your public duties.

Recent events have made it clear again that constant watchfulness is necessary to prevent interference with the jurisdiction of this and the other Provinces through the medium of Federal legislation, and it is to be hoped that a permanent understanding will be reached by means of which this danger may be removed.

A number of the measures enacted during the present Session have been the result of the Revision and Consolidation of the Statutes—a work which will be found to be unusually thorough in its nature.

Further legislation has been found necessary to facilitate the work of the Hydro-Electric Commission and enable the Government to supply electrical energy through the Commission at a minimum price to the public, while observing its obligations to investors.

I observe with satisfaction that a Special Committee of the Legislature will meet during the recess to investigate and report upon necessary amendments to and changes in the Assessment Law of the Province.

At the last Session of the late Legislature a carefully prepared basis for a scheme of Law Reform was adopted, and I am glad to notice that full consideration of such scheme by you has resulted in the enactment of "An Act for the better Administration of Justice, to lessen the number of appeals and the cost of litigation, and for other purposes."

Among the other public measures to which it is my privilege to give assent are, Bills respecting the Financial Year; to amend the Audit Act; to amend An Act passed in the Seventh year of His Majesty's Reign intituled An Act to provide for the transmission of Electrical Power to Municipalities, to validate certain contracts entered into with the Hydro-Electric Commission of Ontario and for other purposes; respecting Escheats and Forfeitures; for expediting the decision of Constitutional and other Provincial questions; respecting High Schools and Collegiate Institutes; respecting aid to the Canadian Northern Railway Company; respecting Public Schools, and to provide for prompt punishment for Personation at Elections for the Legislative Assembly.

I observe with satisfaction that the supreme authority of the Legislature to pass laws relating to the subjects assigned to it by the British North America Act, which was attacked in recent litigation respecting the bed of Cobalt Lake, has been fully vindicated by the unanimous Judgment of the highest Court of the Province, and that at the same time it was determined that the particular legislation which was the subject of the attack did not, as was contended, infringe upon the rights of the persons by whom the attack was made because the claim put forward by them was entirely without foundation.

It also affords me pleasure to be able to congratulate the Province on the satisfactory state of the public finances which continue to shew a substantial excess of revenue over expenditure.

I thank you for the liberal appropriations you have made for the public service, which will be expended with a proper regard for economy and efficiency.

In relieving you from the further performance of your duties I desire to thank you for the great public service you have rendered, and to join with you in expressing the hope that the blessing of Almighty God will rest upon our country and our people.

The Minister of Education then said:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:—

"It is His Honour's will and pleasure that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued and this Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued."

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To the Honourable,

The Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario.

The Standing Committee on Public Accounts begs leave to present the following as its

REPORT.

Your Committee has had produced before it the following accounts, vouchers and statements in connection with the Public Accounts of the Province for the year 1908, which it has carefully examined and considered.

All advertisements, contracts and papers relating to the erection and furnishing of the new Normal Schools. Pages 302, 303, and 304 of the Public Accounts.

All advertisements, contracts and papers relating to the erection of Public Buildings at Sudbury, the District of Algoma, and in the District of Thunder Bay, pages 313, 314, 315 and 317 of the Public Accounts.

All papers relating to the rent of a steamboat from Purvis Bros., page 479 of the Public Accounts.

All correspondence between the Government and its Officials and the Officers and Solicitors of the Townships of Metcalf and Adelaide relating to a grant of $2,500 made in connection with Hardy Creek drain, page 331, Public Accounts.

All the payments *re* Provincial Mine, item $30,648.16, pages 460-461 of the Public Accounts.

All papers relating to the payments of $1,317.01 to H. H. Collier, and $1,678.08 to Ingersoll and Kingston, page 473 of the Public Accounts.

All papers relating to payments on the following Colonization Roads:

Black Donald Road, page 376 of the Public Accounts.

Branch Road, page 377 of the Public Accounts.

Hagarty and South Algona Road, page 389 of the Public Accounts.

All documents relating to the Blight and Fielder contract for the construction of a Dock at Rondeau Park, page 462 of the Public Accounts.

Pay lists and wages of men, "Algonquin Park," item $9,183.26, page 462 of the Public Accounts.

Messrs. A. W. Campbell, Aubrey White, and Thomas Gibson were examined.

Your Committee has held five meetings during the present Session and submits herewith the Minutes of the proceedings, the evidence given as taken by stenographers and recommend that in the future an index be published in connection with the Public Accounts, showing the total salary received by each official employed in the Building, where they receive more than one payment.

JOHN H. CARNEGIE,
Chairman.

Committee Rooms, April 6, 1909.

MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS.

Public Accounts Committee Room, Legislative Assembly,
Toronto, March 18, 1909.

The Select Standing Committee to whom was referred the examination of the Public Accounts of the Province, for the year 1908, and composed of the following Members:— Sir James Whitney and Messieurs Carnegie, Bowman, Clark (Bruce), Clarke (Northumberland), Cochrane, Craig, Dargavel, Eilber, Elliott, Ferguson (Grenville), Fox, Fraser, Fripp, Gamey, Hanna, Hendrie, Johnson, MacKay (Grey), Mahaffy, Matheson, Musgrove, McCart, McDougal, McElroy, McEwing, McGarry, McKeown, Nickle, Pattinson, Preston (Lanark), Preston (Rainy River), Proudfoot, Racine, Reaume, Ross (Middlesex), Shillington, Thompson (Simcoe), and Tudhope, met this day at 11 A.M. for organization.

Present:—Messieurs Carnegie, Ferguson (Grenville), Fraser, Matheson, Musgrove, McGarry, McKeown, Preston (Rainy River) Racine, Reaume, and Ross (Middlesex.)

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded bv Mr. McGarry, it was
Resolved, That Mr. Carnegie be elected Chairman for the Session.

The Committee then adjourned to meet on Tuesday, March 23rd, 1909, at 12 m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
Tuesday, 23rd March, 1909.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 12 m.

Present:—Messieurs Carnegie, Chairman; Dargavel, Fox, Johnson, Matheson, Musgrove, McElroy, McEwing, McGarry, Nickle, Pattinson, Preston (Lanark), Reaume, and Thompson (Simcoe.)

No business transacted.

The Committee then adjourned to meet on Thursday, March 25th, at 12 m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
Thursday, March 25th, 1909.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 12 m.

Present:—Messieurs Carnegie, Chairman; Clarke (Northumberland), Dargavel, Elliott, Ferguson (Grenville), Fox, Johnson, Musgrove, McElroy, McGarry, Pattinson, Racine, Reaume, and Ross (Middlesex.)

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), seconded by Mr. Clarke (Northumberland),

Ordered, That all advertisements, contracts and papers relating to the erection or furnishing of the new Normal Schools at London and other places be laid on the table.

Item $12,095.41, page 302 Public Accounts.
Item $13,420.72, page 303 Public Accounts.
Item $176,557.79, page 304 Public Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), seconded by Mr. Clarke (Northumberland).

Ordered, That all advertisements, contracts and papers relating to the erection of Public Buildings at Sudbury, in the District of Algoma and the District of Thunder Bay.

Item $49,204.67, pages 313-314, Public Accounts.
Item $7,779.57, pages 315, Public Accounts.
Item $5,472.10, page 317, Public Accounts.
be laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex). seconded by Mr. Clarke (Northumberland),

Ordered, That all correspondence between the Government, any Member thereof, or any official thereof, and the Townships of Metcalf and Adelaide, their officers or solicitors, relating to the grant of $2,500 made in connection with Hardy Creek drain, be laid on the table. Page 331 Public Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), seconded by Mr. Clarke (Northumberland).

Ordered, That the Department of Public Works bring down all information it has relating to the rent of a steamboat from Purvis Bros.

Item $5,243, page 479, Public Accounts.

On motion of Mr. Reaume, seconded by Mr. Ferguson (Grenville),

Ordered, That Mr. A. W. Campbell be summoned to appear before this Committee at its next meeting.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Tuesday, 30th March, 1909. at 12 m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
Tuesday, 30th March, 1909.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 12 m.

Present:—Messieurs Carnegie, Chairman; Clarke (Northumberland), Dargavel, Eilber, Elliott, Ferguson (Grenville), Gamey, Johnson, Matheson, Musgrove, McCart, McGarry, McKeown, Preston (Lanark), Reaume, Ross (Middlesex), and Thompson (Simcoe.)

Mr. A. W. Campbell attended for examination.

All papers ordered were produced.

On motion of Mr. Matheson, seconded by Mr. Reaume,

Ordered, That Mr. Aubrey White be summoned to appear before this Committee at its next meeting.

On motion of Mr. Clarke (Northumberland), seconded by Mr. Ross (Middlesex),

Ordered, That the pay lists *re* Provincial Mine item $30,648.16, pages 460-461, Public Accounts, be laid on the table, also a statement showing why payment of $1,450 of this amount was made to S. Hunter and what services were performed therefor.

On motion of Mr. Clarke (Northumberland), seconded by Mr. Ross (Middlesex),

Ordered, That papers relating to payment to H. H. Collier of $1,317.01, and payment of $1,678.08 to Ingersoll and Kingstone, page 473, Public Accounts, and statement showing what services were rendered for these payments and all correspondence relating to the same be laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), seconded by Mr. Clarke (Northumberland).

Ordered, That details relating to payments on the following Colonization Roads:

Black Donald Road, item $201.25, page 376, Public Accounts.

Branch Road, item $300, page 377, Public Accounts.

Hagarty and South Algona Road, item $325.25, page 389, Public Accounts, be laid on the table.

The Committee then adjourned to meet again on Thursday, April 1st, 1909, at 11 a.m.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
Thursday, 1st April, 1909.

Committee met pursuant to adjournment at 11 a.m.

Mr. Aubrey White attended for examination.

No quorum.

Mr. Ross (Middlesex) requested that all documents *re* Blight & Fielder contract for construction of Dock at Rondeau Park, page 462, Public Accounts, and all advertisements, tenders and correspondence relating thereto, also pay lists of men, item $9,183.26, page 462, Public Accounts, *re* Algonquin Park be on hand at next meeting, when formal motion would be made for same.

Mr. Carnegie stated, in answer, that this, if possible, would be done.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
Tuesday, 6th April, 1909.

Committee met at call of the Chair at 11 a.m.

Present:—Messieurs Carnegie, Chairman; Bowman, Clark (Bruce), Clarke (Northumberland), Craig, Eilber, Gamey, Matheson, Musgrove, McCart, McGarry, Reaume, Ross (Middlesex), and Thompson (Simcoe.)

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), seconded by Mr. Clarke (Northumberland),

Ordered, That all documents relating to Blight & Fielder contract for construction of Dock at Rondeau Park, page 462, Public Accounts, and all advertisements, tenders and correspondence relating thereto, also pay lists of men, item $9,183.26, page 462, Public Accounts, *re* Algonquin Park, be laid on the table.

Mr. Aubrey White attended for examination.

Mr. Thomas Gibson sent for and examined.

Mr. Bowyer (East Kent), requested that, though not on the Committee, he be permitted to ask Mr. Gibson some questions. Permission granted.

Mr. Reaume questioned on motion of March 25th, 1909, *re* steamboat rented form Purvis Bros.

Moved by Mr. Gamey, seconded by Mr. Clarke (Northumberland), and adopted, That this Committee recommend that an index be published in connection with the Public Accounts, showing the total salary received by each official employed in the Building, where they receive more than one payment.

Report adopted.

The Committee then adjourned.

EVIDENCE.

TORONTO, March 30, 1909.

Mr. J. H. Carnegie in the chair.

A. W. CAMPBELL, Deputy-Minister of Public Works, called, sworn and examined.

By Mr. D. C. Ross (Middlesex.)

Q.—We wish to ask you, Mr. Campbell, with regard to the building of bridges in the north country. There are about a dozen bridges costing from $3,000 to $10,000, there is the Spanish River bridge, $13,000, and the Espanola, $10,000. Were any tenders asked for in the case of the building of these bridges? A.—The sub-structure of these bridges was built by day labour. Tenders were asked for for the superstructure. These tenders are invited by a notice sent out by the Secretary of the Department to each of the manufacturers of bridges.

Q.—To each of the manufacturers in the Province? A.—Yes, to those who are interested in this work.

Q.—Structural steel bridge builders? A.—Yes, for the structural work. We know all the manufacturers of bridges and give them notice and copies of that notice are with the tenders among these papers.

Q.—You make no public advertisement in the papers for them? A.—Not for the steel superstructure of these bridges.

Q.—You just simply draw the attention of these manufacturers whose names you know and ask them to send in their tenders? A.—Yes.

Q.—There is no public advertisement in the newspapers? A.—Not for these bridges.

Q.—What have you reference to? A.—Well, there are other bridges that are built by day labour. There are bridges of a similar character and which we advertise by poster.

Q.—Advertise by poster? A.—Yes, and put a notice in the local newspaper. Copies of these posters are among the papers.

Q.—What is the reason why you do not advertise for all these bridges? Do you not think that the better policy would be to advertise for all these bridges? A.—The manufacturers of steel bridges are well known to us. There are only possibly a dozen in the Province, and we bring the notice more directly to them by sending a letter. Whereas in the case of wooden bridges it is almost impossible for us to know who are going to tender.

Q.—Would it not be possible to advertise in the paper and get tenders from outside parties outside the Province? A.—You might.

By Mr. S. Clarke (Northumberland.)

Q.—You seem to have a great many wooden bridges. I presume you have built fully a hundred; it looks like that. A.—I don't think so.

Q.—Well, it almost looks like a hundred or more. How many do you imagine you have built? A.—Oh, perhaps not more than two dozen.

Q.—These local wooden bridges are built by local labour and it is where there are not many people to see the advertisements for tenders? A.—We advertise in the local paper and also put up posters.

By the Honourable A. J. Matheson.

Q.—I suppose you follow the custom and policy of a great many years? A.—We have made no alterations that I know.

By Mr. Clarke.

Q.—You put notices in all the papers. Where do you draw the line, say $10,000 or what? A.—We advertise in all the local papers. For example, we had a couple of bridges built last year over the White River in the Temiskaming District. One at Hilliardton, cost about $6,000 and another at Pearson. In that case we advertised in the newspapers at Liskeard and Haileybury.

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—In the case of the Hilliardton bridge? A.—Yes, and Pearson.

Q.—But you have a great many of these bridges, Mr. Campbell, and it appears to me no advertisements of that kind were inserted in the paper at all? A.—Well, I will explain that. Bridges of that character cost about $6,000. Wooden bridges we put a notice in the local newspaper about, it may be say from North Bay up, and then we have these posters struck off and copies sent to each of the post offices in the district.

Q.—What part of these bridges are built by day labour under the Department? A.—The sub-structure is built by day labour.

By Mr. Clarke.

Q.—What proportion of the average cost is that for a bridge like that? A.—In that case possibly one-half of the total cost.

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—There is the Somerville bridge, $4,496. That is the amount of the contract for the steel superstructure, I suppose, and not a payment in full? A.—No. That is the cost of the bridge.

Q.—Of that amount what is spent for the superstructure? A.—About one-half the cost.

Q.—Would it not be a wise thing to advertise the erection of bridges of this price. Don't you think you could save money? A.—No, I don't think we could save money. I am satisfied we could not get as good work. In that north country by looking after the work ourselves we get better workmanship, especially where the labour is uncertain.

Q.—Have you ever tried it? A.—I don't know that we have on this work, but I have in private work.

Q.—You have never tried it in the public service? A.—No, I think in the older districts it would be as well to let contracts, but in the northern district I don't think it would.

Q.—Certainly in the older districts a man could get a more specific contract than day labour, and I don't see why it should not apply elsewhere. A.—In day labour work the men have no particular object in scamping and consequently we get good work. I don't think that we could get better work under the conditions.

Q.—Don't you think that you could do better by contract? A.—Well, I don't know. There was one instance. In the case of Fort Frances gaol, where we had plans and specifications prepared and asked for tenders. Two tenders were received in answer to the advertisement in the newspaper. The lowest tender was about $16,000 and we of course could not see why a building could possibly cost that much money, and undertook it by day labour and built it for $12,000.

By Mr. CLARKE.

Q.—That may be, but did you advertise it outside the district? There may be just two or three contractors there who put their heads together. A.—I think we advertised at Rainy River, Fort Frances, Kenora and the Sault.

By Mr. ROSS.

Q.—What Mr. Clarke means is, did you advertise it at all in cities like Toronto and London? A.—I could not be sure, but I think we advertised in two Toronto papers. It is customary in the case of buildings, to advertise in the Toronto papers.

By the Hon. A. J. MATHESON.

Q.—What was the result in the Fort Frances case? A.—We finished there for less than $12,000 by day labour and saved $4,000.

By Mr. PRESTON (Durham.)

Q.—Perhaps Mr. Campbell you can tell us the results from the experience of the Department of asking for tenders through the daily papers? A.—Yes, we advertise in the Toronto papers and we sometimes get Toronto tenders.

By Mr. CLARKE.

Q.—Do you ever get a contract? A.—Yes. In the case of building the Court House at Sudbury we had some Toronto tenders and the contract went to a Toronto man.

By the Hon. A. J. MATHESON.

Q.—Mr. Campbell, from your experience of similar work do you believe that by building by day labour that it is as cheap or cheaper? A.—On all the smaller bridges I think day labour is the cheapest way.

Q.—I suppose you employ as far as possible local men? A.—Yes.

By Mr. ROSS.

Q.—And the overseer is generally a local man? A.—We have a general overseer.

Q.—But the immediate overseer is generally a local man? A.—the foreman, yes.

By Mr. CLARKE.

Q.—Suppose in the case of a $5,000 bridge, whose man would look after the work? A.—We would send him an experienced man.

Q.—All the time? A.—For the serious work, the concrete work.

By Mr. ROSS.

Q.—In certain cases you would employ a local man? A.—If we could get a bridge builder in the district, but he must be a bridge builder and we must know something of him.

By Mr. CLARKE.

Q.—He must have built a sewer or something? A.—No, he must have built a bridge.

By the Hon. A. J. MATHESON.

Q.—Steel, and a sub-structure of concrete? A.—Yes.

Q.—You have a great many bridges in the north country, wooden bridges that have been destroyed? A.—Oh yes, a great many bridges are burned out every year by bush fires.

By Mr. Clarke.

Q.—And you get some swept away by floods. More than are destroyed by bush fires? A.—Some are swept away by floods, but not very many, although we had a couple swept away last year from Muskoka.

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—Where you have a local overseer and employ local men to build the smaller bridges would that not leave to a great deal of laxity in regard to the work done. You would not be getting value for the amount paid? A.—No, that is not our experience. When we have an experienced man to watch the structural work or the foundation put in, the overseers don't cost any more.

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—Take the Court House at Sudbury. Was that advertised? A.—Yes.

Q.—Coming to the registry office at Sudbury, that was advertised apparently? A.—Yes.

Q.—Then you come to the District of Algoma, Registry Office, Sault Ste. Marie, why was that not advertised. There is nothing here? A.—All buildings are advertised in the newspaper.

Q.—There is nothing here to show the cost? A.—You will find the advertisements among the papers, all copies.

Q.—You will remember about the Hospital for the Insane at London. You extended the water service at a cost of nearly $5,000, page 293, Public Accounts, and you also installed a new hydro-therapeutic equipment for $3,581. Where are the advertisements for those? A.—The extension of the water works.

Q.—Yes, the pipes and so on? A.—The pipes were bought from the Gartshore, Thompson people, of Hamilton.

By the Hon. A. J. Matheson.

Q.—I suppose a certain number of men were paid, and they show on the pay list? A.—I cannot state just as to that now.

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—You mean this contract was advertised? A.—Yes, tenders were taken for the purchase of the pipes. They were threatened with a water famine and the work was done by the asylum authorities.

By the Hon. A. J. Matheson.

Q.—The patients' labour being used? A.—Yes, there was a similar case at Brockville.

By. Mr. Ross.

Q.—With regard to the ventilation of the various Normal Schools. There was a large amount of money spent apparently on that. The Normal Schools at London, North Bay, and so on. Were tenders invited in all those cases? A.—Yes, in all those cases public tenders were advertised for in the newspapers.

Q.—There is nothing here in the Public Accounts to show that. That would be last year? A.—Those tenders were in 1907.

Q.—There is $14,000 for one, $11,000 for another, $15,000 for another, and $14,000 for another, all paid to Purdy, Mansell and Company. Were all these contracts advertised and tenders asked for? A.—Advertised in the newspapers and copies of them are here, with the names of the papers. These four contracts amount to about $56,000.

Q.—Here you have vault for college records $1,173 for the Ontario Agricultural College, page 307. Were any tenders invited for that, do you know? A.—I am not just clear as to that now.

Q.—Not sure whether there were any tenders? A.—I am not just clear as to whether that was done by the Agricultural Department.

Q.—It is in the Public Buildings on page 307? A.—I cannot speak from memory.

Q.—I see all through this, large amounts paid to H. A. Clemens and company for lumber and work of one kind and another, apparently at Guelph. I would like to know what system the Department follows in purchasing lumber and whether in buying large quantities that tenders were asked for last year? A.—He did a lot of work up there.

Q.—Was it on tenders that these payments were made? A.—All tenders are asked for for building work.

Q.—Are these papers brought down? A.—Yes. But in the case of our acquiring a small quantity of lumber, possibly $100 or $200, notice would be sent to the different lumber people and it would not be advertised.

Q.—For those small quantities? A.—Yes.

Q.—But what would be the situation if you required two or three thousand dollars' worth of lumber? A.—Oh, we advertise all large contracts in connection with Public Buildings. Tenders are advertised for in the newspapers.

By Mr. Clarke.

Q.—I don't think it comes under your Department, but do you know anything about the contract for surveying? A.—That would be the Department of Crown Lands, unless it was some special work.

Q.—In regard to colonization roads it would appear that almost every overseer received two or two and a half or three dollars a day, but nearly every time on his bill you see plough and cedar so much. Why should there always be plough and cedar? A.—As a general thing in new work we have to purchase a complete new outfit. Sometimes you find it an advantage to rent a plough. A man will probably charge a dollar a day and if you break it you have to replace it.

By. Mr. Ross.

Q.—It generally goes to the overseer? He pays himself? A.—He pays the money out, so much for men and so much for cedar.

By Mr. Clarke.

Q.—It should appear so much for the overseer, so much for cedar and so much for plough. A.—The accounts will give the details.

By the Hon. A. J. Matheson.

Q.—All this work is inspected by the district inspector in addition? A.—Oh yes. We object to the overseer selling cedar and plough. We don't let him do it if we can possibly get it elsewhere, because we think it is objectionable.

Witness was discharged.

April 6, 1909.

Mr. J. H. Carnegie in the chair.

Aubrey White, Deputy Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines, called, sworn and examined.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex.)

Q.—Mr. White, on page 452 of the Public Accounts there seems to have been spent a great deal of money for surveying? A.—Yes.

Q.—There is J. H. Burd, $3,222.60 for the survey of Jamieson Township, Algoma, and on page 453 the same man appears for the surveying of lines in the Mississaga Reserve, $5,053.27, and on page 450, J. H. Burd for surveying the Township of Jessop, $3,225. You seem to have paid large sums of money for making the surveys. I would like to know what the system is. A.—They are paid for on rates fixed by Order-in-Council.

Q.—How are the surveyors selected? A.—By the Minister.

Q.—And all receive the same rate of pay? A.—All receive the same rate of pay, according to the terms of the Order-in-Council.

By Mr. Clarke (Northumberland.)

Q.—When was the Order passed? A.—On the 30th of March, 1907.

By. Mr. Ross.

Q.—These payments were then in accordance with the Order-in-Council? A.—Yes.

By Mr. Clarke (Northumberland.)

Q.—What was that Order-in-Council? A.—Shall I read it? I have got a copy. "Copy of an Order-in-Council approved by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, the thirtieth day of March, A.D. 1907.

Upon the consideration of the memorandum of the Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests, and the Director of Surveys, dated 7th of March, 1907, and upon the recommendation of the Honourable the Minister of Lands Forests and Mines, the Committee of Council advise that the following scale of prices be paid to Ontario Land Surveyors for surveys performed by them under instructions from the Department of Lands, Forests and Mines, namely:—

(*a*) For nine mile townships, ten cents *per* acre, which is at the rate of $64 *per* mile, and $50 *per* mile for all boundaries run under the contract.

(*b*) For six mile townships, over the Height of Land, fourteen cents *per* acre, which is at the rate of $53.50 *per* mile, and $50 *per* mile for all boundaries run under the contract.

(*c*) For six mile townships south of the Height of Land ten cents *per* acre, which is at the rate of $39 *per* mile, and $40 *per* mile for all boundaries run under the contract.

(*d*) For base and meridian lines north of the Height of Land $75 *per* mile.

(*e*) For base and meridian lines south of the Height of Land, $50 *per* mile.

(*f*) For day work, $10 *per* working day.

Certified,

J. Lonsdale Capreol,
Clerk, Executive Council."

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—What change was there made in that latter part? A.—Fifty dollars a mile for boundaries run under contract. Boundaries of townships.

By Mr. Musgrove.

Q.—You have to make the boundary before you get the acreage? A.—That is right.

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—Why should they be paid at double rate? A.—Well, they have always been paid extra for boundaries.

Q.—Well, if they laid out a township? A.—Well, if you want to know any technicalities I suggest that you call the Director of Surveys. He knows all about that.

By Mr. Clarke (Northumberland.)

Q.—We simply don't know the method of selecting the surveyors, the method of paying, whether they are advertised for tender. A.—Oh, no.

By Mr. Clark (Bruce.)

Q.—Is that a new system? A.—The rates are different, but the system for the work has always been the same.

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—Are the rates increased? A.—Yes, the rates have been increased three times, twice under the late Government and once under this Government.

Q.—What is the increase? What was it before? A.—I think I have it here. Perhaps I had better put this in. This was the form of memorandum in 1903 "*re* the increase in the cost of surveying townships in the vicinity of Lake Abitibi, as compared with the cost of surveying townships on the north shore of Lake Huron, in the vicinity of Lake Temiskaming or Rainy River a few years ago.

"The increase in wages for good men employed in such work is about fifty *per cent.* Wages in former years for good men averaged about thirty dollars *per* month, and at present the price paid is about forty-five dollars. I find that the increase in the cost of supplies is about twenty *per cent.*"

Q.—That is the increase for men alone? A.—I will read the further Order-in-Council of 1903. "I find that the increases in the cost of supplies used on a survey is about twenty *per cent.* in excess of what it formerly was, the increase being chiefly in the price of bacon, which is the main item of supply. There is also a slight increase in the price of cooking utensils and canoes and the cost of transportation where it has to be done by team. I find also that the time occupied in the survey of two townships made in the vicinity of Abitibi Lake is about eighteen days more than would be occupied in surveying two townships either on the north shore of Lake Huron, Rainy River District or in the vicinity of Lake Temiskaming, owing to the distance to be travelled in reaching the work. I think I am within the limits when I say that two townships would cost to-day $800 more to survey than they would say five years ago, that is $400 for each township. The amount for surveying a township at seven cents *per* acre comes to $1,613. To this add $400—$2,013, or about nine cents *per* acre. I think a surveyor, if he received instructions early in the season for two townships or more at nine cents *per* acre, considering the advance in wages and supplies, would be sufficiently remunerated, or would be in about the same position as he formerly was at seven cents *per* acre, where the townships were more conveniently situated. In making this calculation, I assume that a surveyor should not be called upon to run more than two boundaries of each township, and if he is called upon to run more than two boundaries, should be allowed at the rate of $25 *per* mile. The accompanying statement sets out the list of surveyors, subdividing townships south of Lake Abitibi, together with the present estimated cost and the proposed cost under the terms of this memorandum. The undersigned would respectively recommend that the above increase be allowed, and an Order-in-Council passed authorizing the same.

(Sgd.) Geo. B. Kirkpatrick,
Director of Surveys.

The undersigned has read the above memo. and agrees with the recommendation of the Director of Surveys.

(Sgd.) AUBREY WHITE,
Assistant Commissioner.

Approved
(Sgd.) E. J. DAVIS,
Commissioner of Lands."

Upon that an Order -in-Council was passed fixing these rates.

By Mr. ROSS.

Q.—Anything for boundaries? A.—Yes, $25 a mile for boundaries.

By Mr. CLARKE (Northumberland.)

Q.—Is that the same condition for boundaries you have named? A.—Oh, no. Fifty dollars for Temiskaming and Abitibi.

(Witness put in memorandum dated March 7th, 1907, marked "A," *see* page 20.)

Witness:—I may say the Association of Surveyors waited on the Minister and represented that the remuneration they received, owing to the increased cost of wages and supplies, didn't pay them to go away out into the transcontinental country, and upon that representation the memorandum was prepared, and an Order-in-Council was passed.

By Mr. CLARKE (Northumberland.)

Q.—It simply means that the surveyors have appealed to the Government and have fixed the price and the Government pick out the surveyors as they wish for the work? A.—The Minister makes the selection and makes the best selection he can. We have ten surveyors now working for us who worked for the late Government.

By Mr. MUSGROVE.

Q.—The price mentioned included assistants? A.—Oh, yes, all the work.

Q.—How many men would they require? A.—I cannot say as to that, speaking off-hand. Of course some would have more than others.

By the Hon. A. J. MATHESON.

Q.—The surveying of the boundaries of townships is much more important than the divisions? A.—Well, the outside boundaries of course are the important ones.

Q.—If they are not right it upsets the whole survey of the country? A.—If the survey is not correctly performed.

Q.—Do you find that certain men are better at surveying boundaries of townships than others? A.—Well, some are better for what we call base lining. We have to have a good man for base lines. A man upon whom we can rely.

Q.—The surveying of base lines is a matter that has to be done so that it can be depended upon? A.—You must have a man you can rely on.

By Mr. McCART.

Q.—You have no difficulty at all in getting Engineers to do that work? A.—Well, we like to feel certain of the men we employ.

By the Hon. A. J. MATHESON.

Q.—As a matter of fact, don't you get different men to survey the boundaries and the interior of the townships? A.—Sometimes the boundaries are laid out before.

By Mr. CLARK (Bruce.)

Q.—These payments are all in accordance with that Order-in-Council? A.—Yes, sir.

By Mr. MCCART.

Q.—Is it not a fact that more men at the present time are taking up the profession of Engineering, and it is easier to find men, than it was ten or twelve years ago.? A.—We find it more difficult to find men, good men, than ten or twelve years ago. Of course there is plenty of work.

Q.—I think you said you were employing ten? A.—What I said was that we had eight or ten who had been employed by the Department for

By Mr. ROSS (Middlesex.)

Q.—You never advertise the amount of these rates except when they appeared in the Ontario *Gazette* when the Order-in-Council was passed? A.—We have the prices fixed and of course the Association of Surveyors have these rates, and every Surveyor is a member of that Association.

Q.—But the advertisement of the Order-in-Council is not the only publication of these rates? A.—No.

Witness was discharged.

T. W. GIBSON, Deputy Minister of Mines, called and examined.

By Mr. ROSS.

Q.—On page 462 of the Public Accounts we find $4,815 paid for building a dock at Rondeau Park, and I find in the Public Accounts of 1907 also $2,000 and some dollars spent in building this dock. Did you get estimates from your Surveyor with regard to it? A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—Do you remember what it was? A.—I must just explain that this is not wholly under that work. There was some additional work.

Q.—Some $1,300 for dredging? A.—That is not included in this amount.

Q.—Except for that change the amount was about $5,500. Do you remember what the estimate was your Engineer, Mr. Holford, prepared? A.—I think the estimate was something like $3,000.

Q.—$2,900 for this work which cost $5,600? A.—I am not absolutely sure that the estimate was for such a dock as was put in.

Q.—With regard to building this dock, what steps did you take advertising and so on? A.—When it was decided to build a dock there—I may say there had been a dock there for many years and the dock built a number of years ago had been destroyed by storms and this was to replace that dock—we advertised for tenders in a number of local papers in Chatham and elsewhere, and the lowest tender was accepted.

Q.—The lowest tender was $5,385? A.—Yes.

Q.—In the face of your own Engineer's estimate of $2,953, the contract was let to Fielder & Blight. Did they fulfil the contract? A.—Yes.

Q.—Satisfactorily to the Department? A.—Yes, sir.

Q.—Well, it was to be filled by the fifteenth of July? A.—Yes.

Q.—As a matter of fact it was some time in October and November? A.—As a matter of fact the contract was completed in 1907.

Q.—The fifteenth of July was the date, and it was not completed until the following year? With such a big difference between the estimate of the Engineer and the contract, don't you think that it would have been better to take the construction into the Government's hands, as has been done with regard to bridges? A.—I don't think so.

Q.—Is your policy with regard to contracts the same as the bridge policy of the Public Works Department? On the evidence given here a few days ago with regard to the Registry Office at Fort Frances it was said that it was in the interest of the Province for the Government to take the work and build it? A.—In this case the Government didn't have the necessary plant. We did not have a dredge and there was some dredging to be done.

Q.—Surely you could have hired a dredge and done the dredging and got the rake-off? A.—It proved a very difficult thing indeed to get a dredge. That was the very difficulty the contractor encountered—the dredging part of it. He made an arrangement for rental with a certain firm, but when they came to it they refused to do it, and there was difficulty in getting another dredge, and that was the reason there was delay.

Q.—Could not the Government have got a dredge as easily? A.—We endeavoured to hire, first of all we tried to get a dredge from the Dominion Government.

Q.—Is Mr. Holford an experienced Engineer? A.—He is an Engineer of the Department of Public Works.

Q.—You recognize that the contract is nearly double the amount of his estimate? A.—His estimate was too low.

Q.—Well, how do you account for that? A.—Well, I cannot undertake to explain that.

Q.—In addition to this contract there was some additional dredging done? A.—Yes.

Q.—Did you ask for any tenders for that? A.—No. In the original tender we asked that any additional dredging should be done as might be required.

Q.—And although the contract had not been filled, and these people failed miserably in filling the contract, did you advertise for tenders for the extra work? A.—No.

By. Mr. Musgrove.

Q.—In the original contract there was a clause with regard to additional dredging? A.— Yes.

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—The dredging was all under that one contract? A.—Yes. We advertised for tenders when the original contract was entered into asking for a price on any additional dredging that was required.

By Mr. Clarke (Northumberland.)

Q.—$75 a day.

By Mr. Bowman.

Q.—Is dredging paid for by the day? A.—No, so much *per* foot.

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—Didn't this happen, that when the contract was completed and filled you had to do some more dredging. You spent $1,300. The Chatham people wrote, and asked if they might have a chance to tender on the additional work? A.—I don't think so.

Q.—That is in the correspondence? A.—I don't recollect that.

Q.—And you said "No," you were going to give the work to Blight & Fielder? A.—The firm then had the plant on the ground. Getting the dredge there was very expensive and they could do the work at less cost than a firm which had to bring its dredge in.

Q.—I asked if it was not fair to give this firm a chance to tender? A.—The Chatham Dredging Company was one of the original tenderers, and their tender was higher that the one that was accepted.

Q.—Still they asked to be given an opportunity to tender for this dredging and they were refused by the Department, who gave the work to the firm that had failed to carry out the contract in a way satisfactory to the Department? A.—No, sir. At the time there was no difficulty.

Q.—You threatened to take the work out of their hands? A.—That was because we were waiting to have the contracts finished in 1907 and a contractor had difficulty in getting a dredge.

By Mr. Clark (Bruce.)

Q.—Was this work well done? A.—The work itself was well done.

By Mr. Thompson (Simcoe.)

Q.—It was the lowest tender? A.—Yes, it was the lowest tender.

By Mr. Musgrove.

Q.—I suppose, Mr. Gibson, as a matter of fact, the Engineers figured on the cost of dredging for what you could get a dredge here? A.—I think he figured too low on the dredging.

By Mr. Bowyer.

Q.—When Mr. Holford made his estimates for the dock, what was his estimate for? A.—I think it was in the neighborhood of $3,000.

Q.—What was the contract price for the dock? A.—$5,384.

Q.—In that correspondence is there not a letter from the Chatham Dredging Company asking a thousand dollars for bringing the dredge to the scene of action? A.—I think they asked a considerable sum. I think it was $600.

Q.—They asked a thousand dollars, you will find. A.—That was a considerable part of the cost. The cost of bringing the dredge.

Q.—You endeavoured to get a dredge which was a regular harbour dredge, but it would not do because the water was shallow? A.—The water is shallow.

Q.—The facts about the extra dredging are that the dredge was on the ground and this man could do more for five hundred dollars. If the Chatham firm attempted to tender then it would have exceeded far more than $500, because it would have cost a thousand dollars to bring the dredge?

By Mr. Thompson (Simcoe.)

Q.—What was the amount of extra dredging? A.—Something like $900.

By Mr. Ross (Middlesex.)

Q.—Eight hundred dollars, and then five hundred dollars? A.—It may have cost up to that.

By Mr. Bowman.

Q.—The dredging was paid for by the lineal foot. I don't understand? A.—There was a market place to clean up in front of the shore and there were so many cuts to be made from deep water into the shore and so many fills to be made. The material was excavated from these cuts and left for fills, and the contract was let on that basis.

Q.—So much a lineal foot from deep water to the dock? A.—Yes.

Q.—So many cuts? A.—So many cuts. It was measured up in the contract.

By Mr. McCart.

Q.—How many tenders were received? A.—Three tenders for the original contract.

By Mr. Musgrove.

Q.—What was the highest? A.—Something like $7,000.

By Mr. McCart.

Q.—Is it the policy of the Department to give contracts when they exceed the estimate by such a large amount? A.—I cannot speak as to policy, because this seems to be an isolated instance.

Q.—Well, is it as a rule, that when tenders exceed the estimate by so much that contracts are given? A.—As I say, I think this was an isolated instance.

Q.—What is the policy of the Department in advertising for contracts? Do they advertise as a rule where the work is being done, in the local papers or go outside to the papers in Toronto and other large centres? A.—We advertise, I believe, wherever we think we can get the best results.

Q.—The reason I ask that question is that it was brought out the other day in the case of advertising for tenders for the Court House at Fort Frances, that it seemed to be the policy of the Department to advertise only locally.

Hon. Dr. Reaume—No, it is not.

By Mr. Bowyer.

Q.—As a matter of fact this contract was advertised in all the papers? In St. Thomas, Toronto, London, Chatham and other places? A.—I think a list of the papers is here if you require it.

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—You mentioned $800 for additional dredging. You spent more than that? A.—We spent $500. (Witness put in list of papers in which tenders were advertised for.)

By Mr. McCart.

Q.—Was there any penalty clause provided in this contract? A.—Yes, sir.

By the Hon. A. J. Matheson.

Q.—A Cash deposit? A.—A cash deposit of five *per cent.*

By. Mr. McCart.

Q.—Was that forfeited? A.—No, sir.

By Mr. Ross.

Q.—It was forfeited, but all paid back? A.—It was forfeited, but under the circumstances it was thought that the contractor had a reasonable excuse for not filling the contract.

Q.—I think that he was very dilatory in building that dock? A.—We were trying to hold him up to the mark, and they were complaining bitterly of the great loss.

By Mr. Musgrove.

Q.—I supose, Mr. Gibson, as a matter of fact, every dredge cannot go in there? A.—Rondeau Harbour is very shallow, and it was not a dredge that the contractor took in. It was an excavating machine put up on the land that did the work.

By Mr. Bowman.

Q.—What was the price? A.—I think seventy-five cents.

Q.—What was the width of the cut? A.—I think, as far as I can remember, 36 feet.

Q.—And what was the depth of water he had to make? A.—It was in shallow water, but I think it was six feet.

Witness was discharged.

Hon. Dr. REAUME, *re* cost of fish patrol boat "Edna Evans."

By Mr. CLARKE (Northumberand.)

Q.—They operated between six and seven months? A.—Seven months.

Q.—I think, making an allowance for reasonable charges for everything they could possibly get on that boat, that these people would make a profit of $2,500 for the seven months. What was the name of the boat? A.—I think the name of the boat was "Edna Evans."

Q.—It seems to me that they could have got a boat of less proportion and the Government have done this work for a great deal less money? A.—That boat has to patrol the waters from Michipicoten down Lake Erie, Georgian Bay, down Lake St. Clair and down Lake Erie.

By Mr. BOWMAN.

Q.—This boat took the place of the one that was wrecked. A.—Yes, the "Gilfay."

By Mr. CLARKE (Bruce.)

Q.—They provided a crew? A.—They provided everything, fuel, crew and provisions.

By Mr. MCCART.

Q.—What would a boat like that cost? A.—Between fifteen and twenty thousand dollars, at least twenty thousand dollars.

Q.—Don't you think that it would be better for the Department to buy a boat? A.—No, not to buy a boat of that dimension.

Q.—This is a larger boat than the "Gilfay?" A.—Yes, the crew usually refused to go out in the "Gilfay" in storms. The "Gilfay" could never accomplish the work this boat did.

By Mr. CLARKE (Northumberland.)

Q.—Well, I think it would have been better to build or buy a boat. It would have been cheaper? A.—You know that there has been a treaty between Great Britain and the United States with regard to the control of international waters, and the regulations that will govern are not yet agreed upon, but they are supposed to be agreed upon by the fourth of June, and it may be that the patrol of the waters would be under the control of the International Commission, composed of men from the United States as well as from Canada.

Q.—That would be boundary waters? A.—Lake Superior, the St. Clair River, Lake St. Clair, Lake Erie, Lake Huron, Lake Ontario. I don't think the Government would be justified in constructing a boat if they are not going to have control of these waters.

The Committee rose.

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TORONTO, March 7th, 1907.

The undersigned have carefully considered the Memorial presented to the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines by the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors, dated February 28th, 1907, having reference to the remuneration for base and meridian lines and subdivision of townships north and south of the Height of Land.

The undersigned are of opinion that the statements therein regarding the increased price of provisions, the increased cost of labour, camp outfits and transportation are not exaggerated.

There is no doubt that in many cases surveyors have lost money on Government surveys in the last two or three years, and this by circumstances wholly beyond their control or foresight.

To have the work well done surveyors should be remunerated for their services to a moderate degree, commensurate with the risks and hardships to which they are necessarily exposed in the prosecution of their work so far beyond the bounds of civilization.

The great and increasing distance from the lines of communication has to be considered, the difficulty of procuring good men (owing to the prosperity of the country) has to be taken into consideration, the high cost of labour, the advance in price of all staple articles on a survey are all factors for careful consideration.

Taking all the things into consideration the undersigned are of opinion that an increase should be made in the scale of rates at present in force, *viz.*, For townships south of the Height of Land, 8c. *per* acre; for townships north of the Height of Land, 10c. *per* acre, and for base and meridian lines, $55 *per* mile, and for outlines of townships, $25 *per* mile run, with the exception of the dividing line between two townships run by the same surveyor.

A new system of survey having been adopted last year whereby townships over the Height of Land are now laid out nine miles square instead of as formerly, 6 miles square, and under which new system a proportionally smaller number of miles have to be run on the ground, a comparison of the cost *per* mile for each system is as follows:—

In a nine mile township containing 52,000 acres there are 81 miles to run of subdivision work, this at 10c. *per* acre amounts to $64 *per* mile. This at the present rate of wages and cost of supplies would appear to be a fair rate.

In a six mile township, north of the Height of Land, containing 23,000 acres, there are 60 miles to run of subdivision work, this at 10c. *per* acre amounts to $38 *per* mile, which appears to be too low.

In the six mile township, south of the Height of Land, this at 8c. *per* acre amounts to $31 *per* mile, this is also too low.

The present price of base and meridan lines is $55 *per* mile. This appears to be at the present price of labour and cost of supplies and transport much too low considering the great importance of the work and the distance from railway communication.

The undersigned are of the opinion that the following scale of prices would be a fair one and would leave a margin of remuneration for the surveyor, commensurate with his work, provided he takes proper precautions and executes his contract in a business like way and up to the standard of work required by the Department:—

(*a*) For nine mile townships 10c. *per* acre, which is at the rate of $64 *per* mile, and $50 *per* mile for all boundaries run under the contract.

(*b*) For six mile townships over the Height of Land 14c. *per* acre, which is at the rate of $53.50 *per* mile and $50 *per* mile for all boundaries run under the contract.

(*c*) For six mile townships, south of the Height of Land, 10c. *per* acre which is at the rate of $39 *per* mile and $40 *per* mile for all boundaries run under the contract.

(*d*) For base and meridian lines, north of the Height of Land, $75 *per* mile.

(*e*) For base and meridian lines, south of the Height of Land, $50 *per* mile.

(*f*) For day work, $10 *per* working day.

The undersigned would respectfully draw the attention of the Minister of Lands, Forests and Mines to the above and recommend that an Order-in-Council be passed establishing the above scale of rates for surveys.

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GEO. B. KIRKPATRICK,
Director of Surveys.

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